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# Our Muslin Underwear

for our January sale is ready. This is really all that is necessary to say; but we would like to add that we think it is better and contains more distinct novelties and better values than we have ever offered.

Same as we've said before? Perhaps—

But we don't stand stillthe business of this season we expect will exceed that of the past. We want and try to sell you better underwear every year.

# Muslin Underwear

The sort you want is the sort that satisfies when worn—the sort that advertises and makes a name for our underwear department.

Prices-well hadn't you better see the goods?

# Fatal Economy.

Excepting marriage, there is no noose so attractive as a bargain. You can run your head quite easily into this noose by over cultivating your economy until from a virtue it becomes a vice. Don't do it! You cannot have value without cost. Take a single case, for example—the selection of your household supplies. Will it prove economical to buy a grade of Groceries simply because the price is low? Of course not. Your table supplies must be of good quality, or else your health and that of your family will suffer. Now this is what we guar- 'ing. antee about our goods-Their quality is the best. If our prices happen to be lower than others, so much us a trial and judge for

12 STATE STREET.

# An After .... **Christmas Thought**

Now that the rush of the Holidays has passed give some thought to your own wardrobe. If you require a Suit, an Overcoat or trousers, take advantage of our markdown bargains and low tariff prices. This means closing out quite a large quantity of goods at about onefourth less than their real value. Also a comthem over.

P. J. BOLAND.

# BY TELEGRAPH.

# HANNA MEN ROUTED.

Backset to Hanna, Who Will Probably Be Defeated.

Columbus, O., Jan. 3,-The Ohio legislature convened at 10 o'clock this fore. noon, and Mark Hanna as candidate for the United States senate has gotten knocked out in the first round of the senatorial fight. Whether he can recover from today's defeat of his forces is now the question, and the feeling here is that he cannot.

Hanna's disater today has come about by the defeat of the Hanna candidates in both the senate and house. The Hanna! caucus nominees have been defeated in only absent from the Republican caucus every instance, indicating that Mr. Han- | as he was absent today but was nominated na has not a majority in a joint ballot of | by the Democratic caucus as president the legislature.

In the senate Thaddeus E. Crowell Democrat, was elected president pro tem and the organization was completed by the anti-Hanna caucus nominess for other offices. Senator Burke, anti-Hanna Republican of Cleveland, who was not pres\_ ent was elected permanent president of the senate. The vote was 18 Democratic and anti-Hanna to 17 Republicans for Hanna's man, Park Alexander.

The contest in the lower house to determine the strength of the Hanna and anti-Hanna forces was fierce and exciting. No greater excitement was ever witnessed in that body. The contest was over the speaker-ship. Harry C. Mason of Cleveland, a Republican, was the anti-Hanna | affoat. Hanna's defeat is not yet certain, candidate and received the Democratic support as well as 9 anti-Hanna Republicans. The Hanna candidate was Alexander Boxwell. On the first ballot Ma- tor would have 74 and Hanna would have son received 58 and Boxwell only 53. The 70.

onti-Hanna man was declared elected. The Hanna men themselves admitted this afternoon that the defeat of the Hanna candidates in both houses would indicate Hanna's defeat for the senator-

ship.
The caucuses Saturday night resulted in some Republican members forming an alliance with the Democrats for the defeat of Saustor Hanna. The senate stands 18 Democrats and 18 Republicans. Senator Burke, Republican of Cleveland, was not pro tem, of the senate.

The house stands 62 Republicans and 47 Democrats, the former including four fusionists from Cincinnati. At the Republican house caucus Thursday night there were only 52-present and pledged to Boxwell for speaker. Of the 10 absentees Griffith of Clinton, was the only one offaring an excuse. He was sick. The other nine Republican members were absent because they were opposed to Hanna and voted with the 47 Democrats today, mak-

On account of the great interest in the contest the capitol was crowded today. The city was thronged with politicians and every possible politicial rumor is and it is said he will win over several votes tonight. As the two houses voted today an anti-Hanna candidate for sena-

# GLORIOUS CONTRAST.

breary Record of Wrecking Years and Last Year's Results.

United States Become Creditor Nation of the World.

Hopeful Statements Given by the Secretary of the Treasury.

New York, Jan. 3.-Under the heading, Secretary Gage Confidently Hopeful," The Times publishes an extended interview with Secretary of State Gage, in the course of which he is quoted as saying: "The coming of good times to our country is not now something intangible, far off; our good times are right at hand, dependent merely altogether on our willingness to worthily greet them and aid them. Throughout the length and breadth of our land blessings have been showered in bounteousness by 1897. Some of us at the opening of this year just ended presumed to be hopeful-a few of us even to be confident-that 1897 would blaze a pathway for prosperity. They who were the most optimistic were (by the test of results) still amply conservative, and the accomplishment of 1897 makes indeed glorious contrast with the dreary record of wrecking years preced-

"The international balance sheet of the world was never before so favorable as now to the United States-never before approached so favorable a showing for us. It is no more the mere longing of a the better for you. Give dream that our country shall become the creditor nation of the world; that it actually is today. As against tremendous purchases of our commodities, the foreigners have sent us back more of our securities. Even since the Baring crash over half a dozen years ago, Europe has been continuously and largely unloading upon us her holding of American stocks and bonds. Careful students of the situation are persuaged that the limit to such liquidation must by this time be well nigh reached; but however this may be, there certainly is warrant for national gratification in the demonstrated fact that we are not only able to absorb what Europe forces back upon us, but that we are able to do this readily, do it without any quiver or embarrassment, and even while doing it accumulating cash credits to our account in every quarter of the globe.

"Some people are, I believe, disposed to be pessimistic because great sums of money accumulate in our banks. They urge this as a sign of national business unhealthfulness; merchants and manufacturers, they say, lack confidence, are unwilling to assume normal responsibilities, and thus the country's general trade has shrinkage threatening it. This is a superficial view. After years that have been practically panic times exceptional sclements enter into the business situation, and the unparalleled volume of idle money in the banks signifies, I think, something very different from what the pessimists harp on. More largely than wet can be appreciated, these great totals of bank deposits reflect the liquidation of western indebtedness. What the western people have accomplished during the year past as payers of debts will, when we can come fully to understand it, seem fairly to be a chapter from plete line of men's the days of romance. The good prices furnishing goods for for this past year's crops went not to for this past year's crops went not to less than cost. Look, came while wheat was yet on the farm, and for the first time in many a harvest the market's profits were the farmers' own. What the western farmer did, what he is still doing, accounts far beyond what yet is understood for the

money which piles up in our banks. That

money largely is the crop money for 1897; and it has done magnificent service in the extinguishment of liens upon homesteads in every state, in every community of our great west. Is this unhealthful? Is there any reason for repining in it? The west poying back to the east millions borrowed years agoand during some recent times regarded as an encodingly doubtful asset-faces in 1898 the most inspiriting situation known to its history.
"Another factor having much to do in

making the large share of funds kept on pleposit rather than put actively into business use reflects newly developed pruderce among our people, east as well as west. Since 1893 it has been so fashionable to be poor that economy and caution have become fairly a national characteristic. The man who made money before 1893 hurrled in nine cases but of 10 to put what he gained into quick recirculation. Change has been wrought. The average citizen who has prospered during 1897 is inclined to hold tight for the time at least to his new surplus. It is not that he doubts the safety of the falling into step with the progressing good times; it is not that he has become a drome, a mere absorber, but, appreciative of recent experience, he chooses for a while to wait. Our great bank deposits are not a menace. Tremendous accumulations show a capacity to extend business lines; they show that we are not poor, but financially

powerful. "The country waits now only to have it certified that sound conditions underlie national finance. That made clear, shown to be sure, incontrovertible, we shall witness and profit in business prosperity beyond parallel, for they who control capital will on such assurance move forward promptly and confidently."

# Philanthropic and Commercial.

New York, Jan. 3.-New England's abandoned farms are to be reclaimed, restocked and reoperated on a plan that is, primarily, philanthropic and, secondarily, commercial. A corporation has been formed, with the secretary of the New York wool stock exchange at its head, to purchase arable land and farm buildings in the states of Massachusetts, Connecticut, New Hampshire and Vermont, and to resell on such terms as to attract purchasers in large cities and relieve the congested centers of population. The plan is indorsed by John Wanamaker, Mrs. Ballington Booth, Nathaniel S. Rogenan, manager of the Hebrew chariey fund, and William R. Sessions, secretary of the Massachusetts state board of agriculture.

It is estimated that upward of 200,000 acres of rich, fallow land, under cultivation 20 years ago, lie idle today in the New England states, and it is the intention of those who have associated themselves together for the purpose to secure by option and by cutright purchase all or nearly all of these vast territories and to populate it with material drawn from the crowded cities. Missionary work will be begun in the large cities, principally New York and Brooklyn, and the assistance of all organizations interested in bettering the condition of the society will be invoked.

# Cubans Badly In Need,

Washington, Jan. 3 .- The secretary of state has directed that the benevolently disposed public of the United States be informed, through the medium of the press, that the consul general of the United States at Havana mentions the following articles as appropriate to be contributed, all of them, as he reports, being greatly needed: Summer clothing for women and children: medicines for fevers, principally quinine; hard bread flour, commeal, bacon, rice, lard, potatoes, beans, peas, salt fish, any canned goods, meat extracts, blankets, and especially large quantities of condensed milk, as many persons are at first to feeble for any other nourishment. Con tributions of money are also urgently neede to enable the purchase of immedi ate supplies of medicines and articles of prime necessity, and to meet the expenses of local transportation in Cuba.

# BY TELEGRAPH.

# MONEY PROBLEM.

# Ohio Legislature Today Gives a What the Bill of the Monetary Commission Proposes to Do to Better Our Money.

into coin with which to redeem its de-

mand issues. They were not a money

based on property; they were only a

debt. On the other hand, a bank note

is never issued (fraud, of course, ex-

cluded) except for a consideration in ne-

gotiable property of equal or greater

value. The bank note comes forth as

a sequel of a business transaction, and

is based on the active property of the

country which is passing between pro-

ducers and consumers. This property

is always negotiable and always equal

to the duty of meeting the note liability.

Bank notes are as sound as the business

transactions of the country. The cur-

rency of the country, moreover, should

increase as the transactions of the coun-

try increase; hence the rigid unchanging

issues of the government make them an

inelastic part of the circulation, while

by the very process of their issue bank

notes alone can be automatically ad-

justed to the changing transactions of

For these and other reasons the com-

mission strongly urges the government

to withdraw its demand obligations now

used as money, decline to provide gold

expense of maintaining a redeemable

paper circulation upon the banks. In

order to meet the demand obligations,

the present reserves of gold in the treas-

ury furnish a beginning to be set aside

in the division of issue and redemption;

and to meet possible contingencies the

secretary of the treasury is authorized

to sell bonds whenever the reserve needs

replenishment. In this way, or from

surplus revenue, the demand obligations

standard. By the plan of the commis-

sion, government paper is withdrawn in

the first five years only so fast as the

banking currency expands, so that con

traction cannot take place: if United

States notes are cancelled their place

will be taken by the gold paid out for

them, or by the expansion of bank notes

(under the new system proposed); and in the following five years all the re-

maining United States notes are to be

In view of the scarcity of United States

bonds they cannot long be regarded as

a basis for circulation. Moreover, any

bond security of a higher character

vields a low rate of interest; and in a

time of stringency, when borrowers need

loans and the market rate of interest

is high, there is no inducement to buy

these bonds to increase circulation.

Hence, under the present system, when

notes would be most needed, it is least

profitable to issue them. While pro-

viding for a partial use of bonds for se-

curing notes (25 percent of the capital)

the commission proposed that notes be-

youd this should be issued on all, in-

stead of a part of the resources of a

bank; and after 10 years that no special

security should be required. Banks may

issue notes up to 69 percent of their cap-

ital without restraint; for issues beyond

60 percent and up to 80 percent they pay

a tax of 2 percent; for those beyond 80

percent and up to 100 percent they pay

a tax of 6 percent. These notes would

be a prior lien upon all the resources

of the bank, and, in addition, upon the

stockholders' liability. Moreover, all

banks issuing notes contribute 5 percent

of their circulation as a permanent

guaranty fund. For daily redemptions, banks should keep a 5 pc:cent redemp-

tion fund in the hands of the comptroller

of the currency. Banks of \$25,000 cap-

ital may be established in places of 4000

inhabitants; and branches of banks are

It is apparent that the scarcity of note-

holders under the proposed plan is

greater than usually supposed. If notes

should be issued by all national banks

to the amount of 80 percent of their

of total assets (omitting consideration

of stockholders' liability or a guaranty

fund) is more than \$7 to \$1. In the 3276

banks outside the reserve cities, the pro-

tection would be \$6.10 to \$1 of notes

The greatest number of failures of banks

occurred in 1893; and yet the notes of

those failed banks which did not realize

at least 80 percent of their capital out-

of their resources formed only 1-8 of 1

percent of the proposed circulation.

Had 80 percent of the capital of all ne-

tional banks been issued in notes upon

the proposed plan, since the beginning

of the national banking system in 1868

necessary. Moreover, instead of a tax

on circulation, a tax of 1-8 of D percent

on capital and surplus is proposed to

cover the expenses of the system. Such

a plan in general would furnish a safe

elastic, uniform and expanding our

dard.

also permitted.

retired.

the business community.

Indianapolis, Jan. 3.-The sub-committee of the monetary commission headed by Charles F. Fairchild has completed the work of drafting a bill which embedies the recommendations of the commission upon the monetary question and the reformation of the currency. This bill will be introduced in congress after it convenes by Congressman Overstreet of this city, who has been in close touch with the commission from the time the work began. The commissioners, in their report,

argue that for the employment of labor,

No attempt is made to remove silver dollars, nor to change their legal-tender quality; on the contrary a place is provided for them in the circulation by forbidding the use of any paper money other than silver certificates in denominations below \$10. The silver currency, which will be in the hands of the people, must be kept on a parity with gold, as now provided by law, and this should be done by requiring the treasurer to give gold for a silver dollar on demand. Consequently when it is known that a silver dollar can be exchanged for gold for exporters, and put the burden and it will circulate freely (in the form of certificates), and our metallic money, without being diminished, will be unified on a certain basis. As all this silver will be needed to meet the demands for large exchange.(when other paper below \$10 is retired), it will not be presented at the treasury for redemption, and it will create no strain on the gold reserves; but no more silver dollars should

The commissioners contend that the (that is, United States notes and treasury notes of 1890) can be gradually reten different kinds of money in use moved, and the cost to the country can create an anomalous and confusing sitnation. Moreover, the whole fabric rests be reduced; while this process will also on too slender a reserve of gold. It is give the inestimable advantage of ceasurged that the demand obligations of ing to use demand debts as money, of the government should not be used as simplifying our currency, and of adding to confidence in the certainty of our

be coined.

money, because they may be, and have been, presented for gold to the injury of the nation's credit. This causes grave doubts as to the standard on which the business operations of the country rest.. Everything which, by experience, creates uncertainty and hurts trade hinders prosperity and should be removed. Hence the fiscal affairs of the treasury relating to the receipts and disbursements of public revenue should be entirely separated from the monetary functions dealing with the exchange and redemption of the currency. tablishing a separate division of issue and redemption in the treasury, it will be impossible to take away funds set aside for the protection of our monetary system and use them for current ex

penditures. Above all it is regarded as dangerous to maintain the present practice of using government demand obligations as Our fathers never made anything full legal-tender money except gold and silver; but in the stress of civil war, confusing the fiscal and monetary functions of the state, forms of debt due on demand were used as money, not as the result of deliberation, but of emergency conditions. They were issued exactly because there were no resources in the treasury; and so they depreciated. drove out gold, furnished a fluctuating standard, increased the national debt enormously, caused a change in prices whenever the credit of the paper standard fluctuated, reduced the purchasing power of wages, and by causing unexpected changes in the level of prices gave rise to extraordinary speculation, increased the severity of commercial crises, and placed the small producer at a disadvantage with the large producer. For 17 years (1862-1879) the government paper was a falsified promise, and our standard was based on this lie. Trade and industry became speculative. Men of large wealth can take care of themselves; but men of small means should be protected from the evils arising from such uncertainty of the stan-

If the demand obligations of the government are used as money reserves must always be kept on hand to redeem They are not therefore a loan without interest; and the expense of keeping up these reserves has made the paper mone; a very great burden to the taxpayers by an increase of the public debt. Tilese gold reserves are necessary, unless the government permits its notes to go to protest. The mere credit of the United States behind its notes is too vague a thing, its power to tax is too remote, to provide cash on hand for instant use. So far as expense is concerned, this debt could have been more easily borne by changing it into low interest-bearing bonds.

The demand obligations of the United an assessment upon the banks annually States were put forth because there were of only 1-40 of 1 percent would have been no funds in the treasury to redeem them. The notes were only evidence that property had been received and used up for services or supplies or public buildings (no longer available assets). The government by the nature of the operation did not retain, as the notes went out, rency based on a fixed and certain stanany property immediately convertible

self through the right temple. For a vess

past he had exhibited signs of an aber-

ration of the mind, and more than once

Mary Lamb of Philadelphia died Sun-

by night from a fractured skull. Mal-

achi Scannell, son by a first husband, is

under arrest on suspicion of having

caused her death. Saturday night Mrs.

Lamb was found at the foot of the

stairs in her room. She was unconscious.

and her body was covered with bruises.

he had threatened to take his life.

years old.

The New York and Cuba Mail Steam J. F. Fletcher, employed in Kendall & ship company has completed a contract Hadley's sash and blind shop in Goffswith the William Cramp Ship and Engine town, N. H., was caught between the Building company of Philadelphia for five 5000-ton, 16-knot, twin screw steamelevator and one of the floors, and iners. The plans of the proposed ships jured so badly that he died. He was 41 fully meet the government requirements for second-class auxiliary cruis-Alonzo Knappen of Albany, 70 years of age, committed suicide by shooting him-

# THE WEATHER INDICATIONS.

ALMANAC, MONDAY, JAN. & Sun rises-7:14; sets, 4:25. Length of day-9:11. Moon sets-3:38 a. m.

(High tide-7:53 a. m.; 8:34 p. m. The indications for New England Tuesday favor fair weather, somewhat colder during the morning and westerly winds. The fair weather is likely to continue Wednesday.

# Good Sleighing

Good sleighing will be a great blessing to all in a great many ways, but even good sleighing brings its clothing wants, and in justice to yourself you should see CUTTING CORNER inducements before buying a garment elsewhere. Overcoats and Ulsters are probably the most needed and on which you can save the most money, \$4.00 to 20.00 with best values, \$7.50, 10.00 and 12.00. Suits in all wool of the reliable CUTTING MAKE,

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Boys' Suits and Overcoats, 2-to 6, with best values, \$2.50 and 3.50. This remarkable price inducement

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Cutting Corner.



# Clearance Sale

Of Boots, Shoes and Slippers. Christmas is over and I find in my Stock many broken lots and will close them out this week at prices that can't fail to move them.

# T. MULCARE. Sole Agent for W. L. Douglas Shoes.

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# AT WILLIAMSTOWN.

The Congregational Church and Parish Hold Their Annual Meetings and Enjoy a New Year's Dinner-A Lively Runaway Without Damage Pool Room Sold.

Church and Parish Meetings.

The annual meeting of the Congregatlonal church and parish were held at the church New Year's day, as has been the custom in recent years. The parish meeting was called to order at 10 c'clock, Dr. John Bascom was moderator. The following officers were elected: Clerk, Charles S. Cole; treasurer, N. H. Sabin; assistant treasurer, A. E. Evens; parish committee, Dr. John Bascom, N. H. Sabin and Perry A. Smedley; music committee. N. F. Smith, Mrs. P. A. Chambers and George B. Waterman. In most cases these were re-elections. Clerk Cole's report was read and accepted. The report of the treasurer was read by Assistant Treasurer Evens, Mr. Sabin being abroad. It showed that the expenses of the parish last year were about as usual, while the receipts fall short about \$75. The report of the music committee was read by Mr. Waterman. The committee recommended that \$500 be raised for music this year. The report was accepted. This concluded the business of the meeting! which was then dissolved.

order at 11.30 o'clook. The pastor, Rev. R. A. Robinson, was in the chair and Carleton G. Smith served as clerk protem, the clerk, Bushnell Danforth, having recently moved to New York. The reports of the clerk and the treasurer were read and accepted. It was voted that the pastor's salary be \$1,300 a year, as heretofore.

C. S. Cole was elected deacon, but declined to serve, and C. H. Mather was then elected for the term of four years to succeed Robert Clark, who had served continually for 16 years. Dr. Woodbridge paid a deserved tribute to Mr. Clark's faithful service in the office during his long term, and the sentiments expressed by him were endorsed by all present.

At noon dinnar was served by the ladies in the lecture room and about 100 persons sat down to the tables. The dinner is a regular and pleasant feature of these annual meetings and the fruitful efforts of the ladies are fully appreciated.

After dinner the unfinished business was taken up. It was voted to use the envelope system for Sunday contribution. These contributions for three-quarters of the year will be devoted to benevolent objects, and those for the other quarter will go towards defraying the expenses of

Reports were read by the superintendent, secretary and treasurer of the Sunday school, and also by the secretaries of the Home Missionary society, the Foreign Missionary society and the Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor, all showing that their organizations had done successful work during the year jus

closéd.' Officers/were elected for the ensuing year are as follows: Clerk, Carleton G Moore, A. E. Evens, Harvey P. Cole, Nel-Bon Dale; collectors of Sabbath offerings, Perry A. Smedley, J. T. Wells, C. G. Smith, Nelson Dale; music committee. C. H. Mather, Mrs. Harrison White, Mrs. Grace Morrow; flower committee, Mrs. A E. Evens; chairman, Misses Ursula Noyes, Sarah Dale, Gertrude Clark and Magaret

At the close of the business meeting devotional exercises were held.

A Lively Runaway.

Dr. Mather's young pacer was evidently Louis XVI and Malesherbes.

"Miss Anna L. Bicknell contributes an

article on "The Last Days of Louis XVI

Malesherbes, in deep distress, went

and Marie Antoinette," to The Cen-

to the temple, and as Clery hastily

came forward to meet him he told him

that it was all over and that the king

had been sentenced. As Malesherbes

came into the king's presence the latter

said to him: "For the last two hours I

have been examining my conscience and

seeking whether during the course of

my reign I have voluntarily given my

subjects any cause for complaint against

me. Well, I can declare in all the sin-

pear before God, that I have constantly, striven for the happiness of my people.

and that I have not indulged in a single

This was too much for Malesherbes,

who fell on his knees, sobbing so as to

be unable to speak. The king tried to

comfort him, saying that he had ex-

pected what such grief announced, and

appeal to the nation. He consented re-

luctantly, being convinced that it would

be useless. De Seze and Tronchet then

retired, but the king detained Male-

sherbes, who was still overcome with

grief. "My friend, do not weep," he

said, pressing his hand. "We shall

meet again in a better world. I am

grieved to leave such a friend as you

cre." The king followed him to the

door with another "Adieu!" They met

no more, although Malesherhes came

again and again to the prison entreat-

ing for admittance, which was refused

The German Tribes.

-We know nothing of the German

tribes until about 100 B. C. Suddenly

they loom up in the north, aggressive

foes of the Romans. For some time

they were held in check by the stubborn

resistance of the legions, until finally,

when the restraining band of Rome was

withdrawn, they spread all over west-

ern Enrope in the fourth and fifth cen-

turies of our era. Such are the well

known historic facts. Let us see what I

archæology may add to them. The first

investigators of ancient burial grounds

in southern Germany unearthed two

R The round headed variety was quite

like that of the modern peasantry round-

about. The other delichocephalic type

was less frequent, but strongly marked

in places. An additional feature of

these latter was noted at once. They

renerally found in burial places

distinct types of skulls.

The three counsel urged him to try to

that it was better to know his fate.

tury. Miss Bicknell says:

wish centrary to it."

took a lively turn on his own account Saturday. The doctor was driving near B.H. Sherman's store when his cutter strack a large stone placed to guard a grass plat and the doctor was thrown out. The horse started eastward and went as far as W. G. Gove's place on the state road near Blackinton. There he turned around and started for home, and got back as far as the brickyard before he was stopped. the horse did some handsome pacing on the state road, turning out and passing several teams as neatly as if he had been driven, and some who saw him doubted whether he knew that he was without a driver. Dr. Mather was not hurt when thrown from the sleigh and no damage

## Billiard Room Sol

W. O. Adams, administrator of the estate of Frank C. Pratt, has sold the billiard parlor on Spring street to R. J. Butler, who had operated it one month under a lease. A son of Mr. Pratt had managed the business since his father's death up to the time Mr. Butler took it, Mr. Butler is popular with the patrons and will probably do a successful busi-

John Sullivan has gone to work in Upton Bros.' livery stable.

Harry McCaus of McMahon's livery is spending the week with friends in The church meeting was called to Pittsfield and his place is taken during his absence by Michael Clark. Professor Russell has been confined to

his house a few days by sickness. J. T. Wells has decided to handle news-

papers at his store in Moore's block. This will be a convenience to many people in that part of the village. At the close of the New Year's supper

given to the Methodist Sunday school Tuesday evening a number of boys and girls adjourned to the home of H.H.Hear, which is just across the street from the church, and spent a short time very pleasantly with his daughters.

Miss Lizzie Orr went to her home in Adams to spend New Years and will re\_ main till Wednesday.

The public schools opened today. Supt. W. G. Mitchell returned the latter

part of the week from a vacation trip, a part of the time being spent at his old home in Cummington. The Sunday school concert at the

Methodist church Sunday evening was largely attended and passed off very successfully. All the children who took part acquitted themselves with credit and It is noon. Mary is in the parlor with every feature of the program was greatly enjoyed by the audience.

Joseph Guilho has begun work on an addition to the Williamstown Manufact uring company's boiler room. It is understood that a new engine is to be put

Michael Curtis and family of Eagle Bridge, N. Y., are visiting his brother, Edward Curtis on Cole avenue.

Representative A. E. Hell will go to Boston Tuesday to be on hand at the

Beltermann of South Williams-Miss town is working for Z. F. Beverly, whose Smith; treasurer, C. S. Cole; ushers. F. E. | wife is still in a helpless condition and whose children are down with the

> Newell Noyes has moved into his new bouse on Cole svenue. He has a very pleasant and comf rtable home.

The Berkshire Grand Army association held its annual meeting in Pi tsfield today. The delegates from Hopkins post were I. S. Fowler, F. H. Daniels, W. L. Crosier and E. C. Clark.

heartily welcomed by the majority of not worry. Let the dinner go. Sit down people. The wood and logging business on this ottoman beside Mary, your younwill now be rushed and sleighing parties | will be in order.

of a peculiar kind. An easterly sloping hill was especially preferred, on which the skeletons lay feet toward the rising sun-probably a matter of religious imnortance. The bodies were also regularly disposed in long rows, side by side, a circumstance which led Ecker to term them Reihengraber, or row graves. Other archæologists, by a study of the personal effects in the graves, succeeded in identifying these people with the tall, blond Teutonic invaders from the north. Such graves are found all through Germany as far north as Thuringia. They bear witness that Teutonio blood infiltrated through the whole population. - Professor W. Z. Ripley in cerity of my soul, as a man about to ap-

Popular Science Monthly. His Modest Role. The fond mother of three children was obliged to remonstrate with her oldest boy because in the children's games he would always take the lead and assign subordinate positions to his little brother and sister. The boy promised not to be selfish in the future. A few days later the mother, happening to go into the nursery, saw the two younger children engaged in amateur theatricals. The elder boy stood aside | Austerlitz and Gettysburg and Waterloo with arms folded, moodily watching | them. "We are playing Adam and Eve," said the youngsters. The mother "We are playing Adam and was much gratified, as she supposed that in this instance at least the boy had allowed his brother the principal role. She turned to the silent figure in the corner, about to praise him. "Who are you?" .she asked. "God," was the answer.—New York Commercial.

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## robe, or autumn comes, and you must MARTHAS AND MARYS

REV. DR. TALMAGE'S SERMON ON HOUSEHOLD CARES.

Martha In the Kitchen and Mary In the Parlor-The Trials of the Good Housekeeper-How They May Be Overcome. Home Influence.

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 .- Dr. Tulmage's sermon today goes through home life with the tread of one who has seen all its departments and sympathizes with all he sees and has words of oheer for all wives, mothers, daughters and sisters; toxt, Luke x. 40: "Lord, dost thou not care that my sister bath left me to serve alone? Bid her, therefore, that she help me." Yonder is a beautiful villago homestead.

The man of the house is dead, and his widow is taking charge of the premises. This is the widow Martha of Bethany. Yes, I will show you also the pet of the household. This is Mary, the younger sister, with a book under her arm and her face having no appearance of anxiety or Company has come. Christ stands outside the door, and of course there is a good deal of excitement inside the door. The disarranged furniture is hastily put aside, and the hair is brushed back, and the dresses are adjusted as well as, in so short a time, Mary and Martha can attend to these matters. They did not keep Christ standing at the door until they were new ly appareled or until they had elaborately arranged their tresses, then coming out with their affected surprise as though they had not heard the two or three previous knockings, saying, "Why, is that you?" No They were ladies and were always presentable, although they may not have always had on their best, for none of us always has on our best. If we did, our best would not be worth having on. They throw open the door and greet Christ. They say: "Good morning, Master! Come in and be seated." Christ did not come alone. He had a group of friends with him, and such an influx of city visitors would throw any country home into per-

I suppose also the walk from the city had been a good appetizer. The kitchen department that day was a very important department, and I suppose that Martha had no sooner greeted the guests than she fled to that room. Mary had no worriment about household affairs. She had full confidence that Martha could get up the best dinner in Bethany. She seems to say, "Now let us have a division of Jahor. Martha, you cook and I'll sit down and be So you have often seen a great difference between two sisters.

Mary and Martha. There is Martha, hard working, painstaking, a good manager, ever inventive of some new pastry or discovering something in the art of cookery and housekeeping. There is Mary, also fond of conversation, literary, so engaged in deep questions of ethics she has no time to attend to the questions of household welfare. Christ. Martha is in the kitchen. It would have been better if they had divided the work, and then they could have divided the opportunity of listening to Jesus. But Mary monopolizes Christ while Martha swelters at the fire. It was a very important thing that they should have a good dinner that day. Christ was hungry, and he did not often have a luxurious entertainment. Alas me, if the duty had devolved upon Mary, what a repast that would have been! But something went wrong in the kitchen. Perhaps the fire would not burn, or the bread would not spening of the legislature the following | bake, or Martha scalded her hand, or something was burned black that ought only to have been made brown, and Marthe lost her patience, and forgetting the proprieties of the occasion, with besweated brow, and, perhaps, with pitcher in one hand and tongs in the other, she rushes out of the kitchen into the presence of Christ, saying, "Lord, dost thou not care that my sister hath left me to serve alone?" Christ scolded not a word. If it were scolding, I should rather have his scolding than anybody else's blessing. There was nothing acerb. He knew Martha had almost worked herself to death to get him something to eat, and so he throws a world of tenderness into his intonation as There is good sleighing how and it is be seems to say: "My dear woman, do ger sister. Martha, Martha, thou art careful and troubled about many things, but one thing is needful." As Martha throws open that kitchen door I look in and see a great many household perplexities and

First there is the trial of nonappreciation. That is what made Martha so mad with Mary. The younger sister had no estimate of her older sister's fatigues. As now, men bothered with the anxioties of the store and office and shop, or coming from the Stock Exchange, they say when they get home: "Oh, you ought to be in have to manage 8 or 10 or 20 subordinates. and then you would know what trouble and anxiety are!" Oh, sir, the wife and the mother has to conduct at the same time a university, a clothing establishment, a restaurant, a laundry, a library, while she is health officer, police and president of her realm! She must do a thousand things, and do them well, in order to keep things going smoothly, and so her brain and her nerves are taxed to the utmost. I know there are housekeepers who are so fortunate that they can sit in an armchair in the library or lie on the belated pillow and throw off all the care upon subordinates who, having large wages and great experience, can attend to all of the affairs of the household. Those are the exceptions. I am speaking now of the great mass of housekeepers-the women to whom life is a struggle, and who at 30 years of age look as though they were 40, and at 40 look as though they were 50, and at 50 look as though they were 60. The fallen at Chalons and are a small number compared with the slain in the great Armageddon of the kitchen. You go out to the cometery and you will see that the tembstones all read beautifully poetic, but if those tembstones would speak the truth, thousands of them would say: "Here lies a woman killed by too much mending and sewing and baking and scrubbing and scouring. The weapon with which she was slain was a

## broom or a sewing machine or a ladie." Housekeeping Cares.

You think, O man of the world, that you have all the cares and anxieties. If the cares and amxieties of the household should come upon you for one week, you would be fit for the insane asylum. The half rested housekeeper arises in the morning. bhe must have the morning repast prepared at an irrevocable hour. What if the fire will not light; what if the marketing did not come; what if the clock has stopped-no matter, she must have the morning repast at an irrevocable hour Then the children must be got off to school. What if their garments are torn; what if they do not know their lessons; what if they have lost a hat or sash-they must be ready. Then you have all the dlet of the day and perhaps of several days, to plan, but what if the butcher has sent meat unmasticable, or the grocer has sent articles of food adulterated, and what if some piece of silver be gone, or some favorite chalice be cracked, or the roof leak, or the plumbing fail, or any one of a thousand things occur-you must be ready. Spring weather comes; and there must be a revolution in the family ward-

shut out the northern blast, but what if the moth has preceded you to the chest; what if, during the year, the children have outgrown the apparel of last year; what if the fashions have changed! Your house must be an apothecary's shop; it must be a dispensary: there must be medicines for all sorts of ailments-something to loosen the croup, something to sool the burn, something to poultice the inflammation, something to silence the jumping tooth, something to soothe the carache. You must be in half a dozen places at the same time, or you must attempt to be. If, under all this wear and tear of life, Martha makes an impatient rush upon the library or drawing room, be patient, be lenient! O woman, though I may fail to stir up an appreciation in the souls of others in regard to your household toils, let me asture you, from the kindliness with which Jesus Christ met Martha, that he appreciates all your work from garret to cellar, and that the God of Deborah, and Hannah, and Abigail, and Grandmother Lols, and Elizabeth Fry, and Hannah More is the God of the housekeeper! Jesus was never married, that he might be the especial friend and confidant of a whole world of troubled womanhood. I blunder. Christ was married. The Bible says that the church is the Lamb's wife, and that makes me know that all Christian women have a right to go to Christ and tell him of their annoy-

The servent by this clause Makos drudgery divine. Who sweeps a room, as for thy laws, Makes this and the action fine.

ances and troubles, since by his cath of

conjugal fidelity he is sworn to sympa-

thize. George Herbert, the Christian poet,

wrote two or three verses on this subject:

A young woman of brilliant education and presperous circumstances was called down stairs to help in the kitchen in the absence of the servants. The doorbell ringing, she went to open it and found a gentleman friend, who said as he came in: "I thought that I heard music. Was it on this piano or on this harp?" She answered: "No. I was playing on a gridiron, with frying pan accompaniment. The servants are gone, and I am learning how to do this work." Well done! When will women in all circles find out that it is honorable to do anything that ought to

Again, there is the trial of severe economy. Nine hundred and ninety-nine households out of the thousand are subjected to it, some under more and some under less stress of circumstances. Especially if a man smoke very expensive cigars and take very costly dinners at the restaurants he will be severe in demanding domestic economies. This is what kills tens of thousands of women-attempting to make \$5 do the work of \$7. A young woman about to enter the married state said to her mother, "How long does the honeymoon last?" The mother answered, 'The honeymoon lasts until you ask your husband for money." How some men do dole out money to their wives! "How much do you want?" "A dollar." "You are always wanting a dollar. Can't you do with 50 cents?" If the husband has not the money, let him plainly say so. If he has it let him make cheerful response, remembering that his wife has as much right to it as he has. How the bills come n! The woman is the banker of the household. She is the president, the cashler, the teller, the discount clerk, and there is a panic every few weeks. This 30 years' war against high prices, this perpetual study of economics, this lifelong attempt to keep the outgoes less than the income,

exhausts innumerable housekeepers. Oh, my sister, this is a part of the Divine discipline! If it were best for you, all you would have to do would be to open the front windows, and the ravens would fly in with food, and after you had baked times from the barrel in the pantry the barrel, like the one of Zarephath, would be full, and the shoes of the children would last as long as the shoes of the Israelites in the wilderness—40 years. Beside that this is going to make heaven the more attractive in the contrast. They never hunger there, and consequently there will be none of the nuisances of catering for appetites, and in the land of the white robe they never bave to mend anything, and the air in that hill country makes everybody well. There are no rents to pay: every man owns his own house, and a mansion at that. It will not be so great a change for you to have a chariot in heaven if you have been in the habit of riding in this world. It will not be so great a change for you to sit down on the banks of the river of life if in this world you had a country seat, but if you have walked with tired feet in this world what a glorious change to mount celestial equipage! And, if your life on earth was domestic martyrdom, oh, the joy of an eternity in which you shall have nothing to do except what you choose to do! Martha has had no drudgery for 18 centuries! I quarrel with the theologians who want to distribute all the thrones of heaven among the John Knoxes and the Hugh Latimers and the Theban legion. Some of the brightest thrones of heaven will be our factory a little while! You ought to | kept for Christian housekeepers. Oh, what a change from here to there, from the time when they put down the rolling pin to when they take up the scepter! If Chatsworth park and the Vanderbilt mansion were to be lifted into the celestial city. they would be considered uninhabitable rookeries, and glorified Lazarus would be shamed to be going in and out of either

of them.

Sickness and Trouble. There are many housekeepers who could get along with their toil if it were not for sickness and trouble. The fact is, onehalf of the women of the land are more or less invalids. The mountain lass who has never had an ache or a pain may consider household toil inconsiderable, and toward evening she may skip away miles to the fields and drive home the cattle, and she may until 10 o'clock at night fill the house with laughing racket. But, oh, to do the work of life with wornout constitution, when whooping cough has been raging for six weeks in the household, making the night as sleepless as the day! That is not so easy. Perhaps this comes after the nerves have been shattered by some bereavement that has left desolation in every room of the house and set the crib in the warret because the occupant has been hushed into a slumber which needs no mather's lullaby. Oh, she could provide for the whole group a great deal better than she can for a part of the group, now the rest are gone! Though you may tell her God is taking care of those who are gone, it is motherlike to brood both flocks. and one wing she puts over the flock in the house; the other wing she puts over the flock in the grave.

There is nothing but the old fashioned religion of Jesus Christ that will take a woman happily through the trials of home life. At first there may be a romance or a povelty that will do for a substitute. . The marriage hour has just passed, and the perplexities of the household are more than atoned by the joy of being together and hy the fact that when it is late they do not have to discuss the question as to whether it is time to go. The mishaps of the household, instead of being a matter of anxiety and reprehension, are a matter of merriment-the loaf of bread turned into a geological encoimen, the slushy oustards. the jaundiced or measly biscuits. It is a very bright sunlight that fails on the cutlery and the mantel ernaments of a new

home. But after awhile the remance is all gone, and then there is something to be prepared for the table that the book called 'Cookery Taught In Twelve Lessons' will not teach. The receipt for making it is not a bandful of this, a cup of that and " n'ul of something else, It is not

something sweetened with ordinary condiments or flavored with ordinary flavors or baked in ordinary ovens. It is the loaf of domestic happiness, and all the ingredients come down from heaven, and the fruits are plucked from the tree of life, and it is sweetened with the new wine of the kingdom, and it is baked in the oven of home trial. Solomon wrote out of his own experience. He had a wretched home. A man cannot be happy with two wives, much less 600, and he says, writing out of his own experience. Better is a dinner of herbs where love is than a stalled ox and hatred therewith." Home Influence.

How great are the responsibilities of housekeepers! Sometimes an indigestible article of food by its effect upon a king has overthrown an empire. A distinguished statistician says of 1,000 unmarried men there are 38 criminals, and of 1,000 married men only 18 are criminals. What a suggestion of home influences! Let the most be made of them. Housekeepers by the food they provide, by the couches they spread, by the books they introduce, by the influences they bring around their home, are deciding the physical, intellectual, moral, eternal destiny of the race. You say your life is one of sacrifico. I know it. But, my sisters, that is the only life worth living. That was Florence Nightingale's life; that was Payson's life; that was Christ's life. We admire it in others, but how very hard it is for us to exercise it ourselves! When in Brooklyn young Dr. Hutchinson having spent a whole night in a diphtheritic room for the relief of a nationt became saturated with the poison and died, we all felt as if we would like to put garlands on his grave; everybody appreciates that. When in the burning hotel at St. Louis a young man on the fifth story broke open the door of the room where his mother was sleeping and plunged in amid smoke and fire, crying, "Mother, where are you? and never came out, our hearts applauded that young man. But how few of us have the Christlike spirit-a willingness to suffer for others. A rough teacher in a school called upon

a poor, half starved lad who had offended against the laws of the school and said, Take off your coat directly, sir!" The boy refused to take it off, whereupon the teacher said again, "Take off your coat, sir!" as he swung the whip through the air. The boy refused. It was not because he was afraid of the lash—he was used to that at home-but it was from shamehe had no undergarment-and as at the third command he pulled slowly off his coat there went a sob through the school They saw then why he did not want to remove his coat, and they saw the shoulder blades had almost cut through the skin. and a stout, healthy boy rose up and went to the teacher of the school and said: "Oh, sir, please don't hurt this poor fellow! Whip me. See, he's nothing but a poor chap. Don't hurt him. He's poor. Whip me." "Well," said the teacher, "it's going to be a severe whipping. I am willing to take you as a substitute." "Well," said the boy, "I don't care. You whip me, if you will let this poor fellow go." stout, healthy boy took the scourging without an outery. "Bravo!" says every man. "Brave!" How many of us are willing to take the scourging, and the suffering, and the toil, and the anxiety for other people? Beautiful things to admire, but how little we have of that spirit! God give us that self denying spirit, so that whether we are in humble spheres or in conspicuous spheres we may perform our whole duty, for this struggle will soon be over.

## The Christian Housekeeper.

One of the most affecting reminiscences of my mother is my remembrance of her as a Christian housekeeper. She worked very hard, and when we would come in from summer play and sit down at the table at noon I remember how she used to come in with beads of perspiration along the line of gray hair, and how sometimes she would sit down at the table and put her head against her wrinkled hand and say, "Well, the fact is, I'm too tired to eat." Long after she might have delegated this duty to others, she would not be satisfied unless she attended to the matter herself. In fact, we all preferred to have her do so, for somehow things tasted better when she prepared them. Some time ago in an express train I shot past that old homestead. I looked out of the window and tried to peer through the darkness. While I was doing so one of my old schoolmates, whom I had not seen for many years, tapped me on the shoulder and "De Witt, I see you are looking out st the scenes of your boyhood." yes," I replied, "I was looking out at the old place where my mother lived and died." That night in the cars the whole scene came back to me. There was the country home. There was the noonday There were the children on either side of the table, most of them gone never to come back. At one end of the table, my father, with a smile that never left his countenance even when he lay in his coffin. It was an 84 years' smile-not the smile of inanition, but of Christian courage and of Christian hope. At the other end of the table was a beautiful, benignant, hard working, agod Christian housekeeper, my mother. She was very tired. I am glad she has so good a place to rest in. "Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord. They rest from their labors, and their works do follow them."

# Why He Objected.

The maiden was weeping bitterly. The young man stood opposite her with flushed cheeks and a troubled look on his face.

"Then your father has not waited for me to ask for his consent, but has conveyed his refusal through you?" "Yes, Algy dear." (Sob.)

"And you think there is no chance of his relenting?"

"N-0-0." "But, Lucy, darling, what does your father see in me to object to? Did he

"He said, Algy, that he couldn't see anything in you (sob), and that was why he objected to you." (Sob.)-Pearson's

# A Story of Whittier.

Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer tells a story illustrating the almost bovish modesty of the poet Whittier. A little woman forced her way into the penetralia of a Boston mansion when Whittier was visiting there and, clasping both the poet's hands in her own, exclaimed, "Mr. Whittier, this is the supreme moment of my life!" Whittier stood first on one foot and then on the other, with drew his hands and clasped them behind his back and replied prosaically, "Is it?"

When the Duke of Monmouth was executed in the reign of James II for treason, his duchess ordered every oak in the park to be cut on the fateful morning. The new growth, belonging to Lord Ebury, is one of the finest forests in Britain.

Missonri ranks first among the states in the production of poultry and second only to Ohio in the extent of egg prod-

No Sunday Labor In Russia,

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Rather Personel "Ladies," said the chairman of the meeting of the Woman's Advanced Thought and Practical Experience club, 'this meeting, I believe, was announced

to be a symposium on the subject of Apartment House Nuisances.''' There was a murmur of assent and approval, and from the way every woman in the hall straightened up it was evident that there wasn't one of them

who didn't feel that she had something of importance to say on the subject. "I hope," continued the chairman, 'that we will be able to get through this afternoon, but it is unquestionably a most comprehensive subject, and, with your permission, I will undertake to divide it so that we can take up one fea-

ture at a time."

"So lovely!" "Just the thing!" and 'How nice!' came from various parts of the hall.

"I would suggest that we first take up the landlord, as be''— Cries of "Mean thing!" "Promised

us a porcelain bathtub a year ago!' 'Won't paper the hall!" etc. -"is one of the greatest of flat building evils. After disposing of him, I

think perhaps the janitor"--Cries of 'Disobliging creature!" 'Freezes us to death!'' "Absolutely insulting!" etc.

-"should claim our attention. We all can speak with deep feeling on this branch of the subject, and possibly we may find it necessary to limit discussion of it. Then I would suggest that we group children and dogs"-

Cries of "The pets!" "Darlings!" 'Dirty creatures!" "Noisy youngsters!" -"and close with a discussion of flat

building gossips, the most troublesome and netorious of their kind." There was a dead silence as she ceased speaking. The women looked at each

other in a bewildered sort of way, and

then almost as one person they got up and moved toward the door.

one as she angrily marched out. "I never was so insulted in all my life," said another.

And thus the chairman was left alone. -Chicago Post.

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Particularly Patient. "Patience, my dear, patience," said Harkins blandly to his wife one morning at the breakfast table when she spoke a trifle sharply to one of the children for dropping his bread, buttered side down, on the cloth. "You know that accidents will happen, and we were children ourselves once. I'm sure that Bertie didn't mean to-great Jupiter! There goes Harold's glass of milk all over my new trousers. If I don't-oh. you'd better skedaddle from the table. young man. It beats everything. Get a cloth, somebody, and clean up this mess. It beats thunder that a man can't sit at his own table without being tormented and bespattered as I am every time I try to eat a meal under my roof. Look at these trousers-absolutely and utterly ruined. Just wait till I get hold of that boy. Just wait till I lay hands on him, and I'll teach him how to deliberately throw a glass of milk over a gninea pair of tronsers. Don't tell me that he didn't mean to do it. He came to the table with the intention of doing it, and I-

get hold of him. "-Strand Magazine. An Enemy of Humanity.

There are probably few persons of mature years who have not read the story of the man who put the sick beggar upon his best horse in order to take him

I-well, you'll see what I'll do when I

suddenly recovered his strength and rode off with the horse that was the pride of the desert and the fortune of his owner. The man called after the thief and begged him to halt for a moment. Safe from pursuit, he did so. when his benefactor implored him never to tell how he obtained the horse, as the incident, if known, might stand in the way of relief of some honest beggar who sought charity by the wayside. Although it is claimed that the story is a very old one, it is just as applicable to our time as it was when the affair occurred. It is the professional beggar who

makes the most terrible suffering possi. ble to those who are too proud, too honest or too timid to ask for what they need.—New York Ledger.

## A Cemetery Story From Maine. In a quaint'old cemetery at Bass Har-

bor, Mo., lies an aged couple who were noted in their life for their piety and their active interest in meetings and other good works. The old gentleman in his exhortation would often speak of wearing the crown, while the old lady often spoke of blossoming as the rose, After the tombstones had been erected at their graves with their names and ages duly chronicled thereon there appeared on his tombstone distinctly outlined the figure of a crown, while on hers appeared the figure of a full blown rose. The fact is well authenticated by many people who have visited the cemetery on purpose to see this wonderful sight. - Deer Isle Gazette.

## When Bedlam Was Heaven.

A highlander had visited the capital

of Scotland, and on his return to his "native bills" astonished his companions by telling them what he had seen and done there. "Ougald Macpherson an me," he said, "gaed doon to Luckie McNab's, in the Canongate, to meet some o' oor auld freens there. When we "Personalities should be barred," said | zen heelenmen there, an they a' had their pipes wi' them. After we had paen a crack for awhile somebody proposed a tune. Wi' that we a' shoulther. ed our pipes an began to play different tunes. Mon, it was bonnie. I just thocht I was in heeven!"-London Tel-

# Mother, Sometimes.

"The child," said the shoe clerk boarder, "is father to the man." "Oh, not always," said the cheerful idiot. "Sometimes it is a girl."-Indianapolis Journal

# His Handwriting.

Many stories are told relative to the illegibility of the permanship of Rufu; Choate, the famous lawyer. It is said that he once openly congratulated lunself on the fact that "if he failed to get a living at the bar he could still go to China and support himself by his penthat is, by decorating ten chests."

He once asked that a case might be postponed owing to his engagement it another court. The judge replied that the case was one in which he might write out his argument.

With a mock solemnity of counte nance which he knew so well how to assume at a moment's petice be said: "I write well, your henor, but slove

This was too much for the judge and the assembled bar, and the courtroom echoed with prompt and unrestrained hilarity. There was not a lawyer present who had not more than once seen ! specimen of what one of Mr. Choate's friends called his "wildcat tracks," and the joke needed no explanation. --

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Accident Not Fatal.

The rumor current Saturday that cornelius Reilly, formerly of this town, had been killed by the cars at Pittsfield proved to be untrue, but was started by an accident that seemed at first to have been fatal. As it was, Mr. Reilly had a very narrow escape. He was at the station in Pittsfield and wanted to come to Adams New Year's day. He had been drinking and mistook a Springfield train for the Adams train. The cars were in motion and when he caught hold of the railing of the car steps he was jerked off his feet and landed between the car bumpers. People who witnessed the accident shricked and the train was stopped as quickly as possible. The young man was dragged about 50 yards but escaped with a few braises. When he arrived in this town he was shortly arrested for being intoxicated.

Car Off the Track.

A slight accident happened on the electric road opposite the Renfrew depot on Columbia street Saturday afternoon about 3 o'clock, when one of the cars ran off the track. It was ascending the hill when it jumped the rails and ran into the middle of the road. It was fortunate that it took to the left, for on the right is a steep embankment at the foot of which is a small whrook. It was some time before the car was replaced by being drawn to the track by four horses. The accident did not cause any serious delay in the time sched-

New Year's Pleasantries.

As a whole New Years passed off very equietly in town. A few arrests made for drunkenness and the only disturbance was a fight between a couple of Polanders. It took place on Summer street and Officer Hiser arrested the principals. When arresting one of them, Kasper Nalezack the officer met with quite a tussle. The man's wife, Alphonia, interferred. She kicked and struck the officer, and as acceault was arrested on the charge of assaulting an officer.

To-Be-Entered in Courts

At the opening of the superior court in Pittsfield this week the case of Mrs. Lacroix against the Boston & Albany Railroad company, will be entered. It will be remembered that recently when Mrs. Lacroix was alighting from a passenger train at the local depot, a sudden start of the engine threw her off her feet and she narrowly escaped being killed. She sustained a broken arm and has been ill ever since. Lawyer T. F. Cassidy is the prosecuting attorney.

# Resumed Her Position.

Miss Ida Foster has returned from the trip which she has taken for her health and is much improved. This morning she resumed her position as teacher at No. 2 Liberty street and Miss Gately, who has where Miss Cosgrove of Hopkinton day evening. "He" Was a Woman.

A person admitted to an English workhouse not long ago objected to taking the usual bath with the men and confided to the medical officer that "he" was a woman. The woman's story, which she subsequently told, is stranger than fiction. She was educated at a woman's college and married at 16 to a man who ill treated her. She left him and went to live with a brother, who was a painter and decorator. Acquiring a knowledge of the trade, she donned male clothes and became a successful painter and decorator. For 22 years she lived with her niece, who kept house for her and posed as the painter's wife. Three months ago she fell from a scaffold, and, although she injured her ribs, managed to prevent the doctors from discovering her secret. A failure to obtain employment finally compelled her to seek the shelter of the workhouse, with consequences disastrous to her manhood.-New York Tribune.

# Stevenson and His Nurse.

Alison Cunningham, Robert Louis Stevenson's old nurse, was much beloved by him, and he sent her a copy of each of his books, with his own inscription on the fly leaf. Generally the inscription is just a line or two, "Alison Cunningham, from her boy," or "from her laddie." But one of the volumes, "An Inland Voyage" (1878), contains the following:

My DEAR CUNNING-If you had not taken so much trouble with me all the years of my childhood, this little book would never have been written. Many a long night you sat up with me when I was ill. I wish I could hope, by way of return, to amuse a single evening for you with my little book. But, whatever fon may think of it, I know you will continue to think kindly 'f the author.

Glued Scams. A correspondent who signs himself V. C., evidently meaning Victoria Cross, send. the following reminiscence to the London Telegraph: "Your account of the tailor who has invented gummed seams for sewed ones reminds me of the experience of a gallant French officer who was a friend of mine, then a young man, in the Crimea-General Pelissier. He was rather careless about his dress except when in uniform, and one day he surprised all his friends by appearing in a magnificent shepherd tartan suit. They were all envious of his splendid turnout. At night he joined in the conviviality which was taking place in one of the huts, warmed by a cheerful, blazing fire. The place got intolerably warm, and when Pelissier rose to go the company were amazed to find the shepherd tartan 'complet' fall to pieces in an extraordinary manner. The sleeves of the coat dropped to the floor, then the back, and the trousers also fell off in detachments. An examination showed that the scams, instead of being sewed, were glued together, and the heat of the hut had completely melted the composition. Pelissier had bought them from a Greek peddler and paid a high price for them. If that enterprising merchant had fallen into the general's hands within the next few days, I am afraid he would have had short shrift. Unless the new system is capable of better things than that most of us will be quite content to esick to the stitches."

taught. Miss Cosgrove will not return to

Chairman of Civit Service Board.

George. F. Duggan, one of the local letter carriers, has received an appointment from the postal authorities at Wash ington, D. C., as chairman of the local civil service examining board. The appointment is an honor to Mr. Duggan.

Turkey Dinner a Success.

The annual turkey dinner served at the Congregational church New Year's day was a success. The attendance vas large and the receipts were good. The dinner was an excellent one and the ladies in charge received many compliments for its excellence.

New Year's Party.

A pleasant New Year's party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Fesseudon on Liberty street, Saturday evening. It was given by their daughter, Miss Eula. About 30 young friends attended and all spent a pleasant evening.

"Patent Applied For."

A good attraction has been booked for

the opera house Friday evening. It is

Elmer E. Vance's "Patent Applied For." It has a good plot and the scenic part of the play is especially fine. For This Evenings

Meeting of the selectmen.

Meeting of the Grand Army. Meeting of Company M. Beginning of the week-of-prayer at the

Baptist church.

The regular shoot for the Crosier medal by the members of Company M was not

held last week. District Deputy Dr. Mercer of Pittsfield will visit the local council of the Knights of Columbus Tuesday evening and install the recently elected officers. The first degree will also be worked on several new

Mrs. James Quinn, mother of Mrs. Finn of Burt street, Renfrew, died at her home in West Troy, N. Y., last Friday. C. M. Campbell, who has been visiting riends here, has returned to his home in Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Kyle of Ludlow have been visiting friends at Renfrew. Most of the local-college students will

reave town today to resume their studies. Mr. and Mrs. John A. Yeoman have returned from their wedding tour and will reside on Summer street. Mrs. Fred Pond and her daughter,

Nina, of Middleboro, are the guests of Mrs. Pond's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Perry of Murray street. Miss Jennie Tyler and Miss Lehr of Pittsfield were the guests Sunday of Mr.

and Mrs. Martin Dwyer of Park street. Turnkey John Whipple of Pittsfield spent Sunday in town. Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Dean of Pownal, Vt.,

visited friends in this town Sunday. The public school opened today after been filling Miss Foster's position has two weeks vacation. All of the out-of-

resumed her position at Roosac street town teachers returned Saturday or Sun-

# WHAT A LOT OF THEM,

North Adams Produces Its Share, But They Are Growing Less Here Every Day.

What a wonderful lot of people there ire who suffer from backache! From the millionaire sitting in his office clipping coupons down to the humble citizen who wings a pick for a dollar a day, nobody is free from-it.

And it all comes from the same cause, The kidneys are to blame.

Backache is really nothing but kidney iche. You can be perfectly sure that it means a disordered condition of the kid-

And if you are wise you will heed the varning immediately. Backache neglected means severer

forms of kidney disease, diabetes, urinary troubles, bright's disease—death.

Doan's Kidney Pills are the one simply emedy that can be relied upon in all forms of kidney trouble.

Some of your neighbors have tried them and not one has found them wanting. Here is what one resident of North Adams save of them:

Mrs. George Fessenden of 161 Arnold Place, says: "For the first time in two years. I was able to stand at a table and knead a batch of pie crust without having to rest in a chair two or three times. Doan's Kidney Pills did that much for me. Five years I suffered with my kidneys and severe inflammatory rheumatism. At one time my knees were nearly drawn up to my chin. I got partial relief for the rheumatism but nothing seemed to help my kidneys or remove the gnawing pain in the back, or lessen the urinary trouble that compelled me to get up 10 or 12 times a night. Often my back hurt so I could barely get around. I could only stand on my feet for a short time owing to the bearing down sensation. I read different accounts in the papers about Doan's Kidney Pills curing kidney complaint and got a box at Burlingame & Darbys' drug store. For the first time I found something that helped my kidneys.

The urinary trouble was cured. The backache disappeared and I can now sleep without disturbance at night. To me the relief afforded for which ailments I had looked upon as incurable is more than I can possible express." Doan's Kidney Pills for sale by all deal-

ers. Price, 50 cents. Mailed by Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States. Remember the name, Doan's, and take

no substitute.

All persons interested in Socials, Musicals, Dances, or other entertainments, public or private, are invited to consider the Grand Army Memorial Building. It has opera house with stage, waiting rooms, kitchen, dining rooms and elegant parlor. Terms easy. Apply to A, W. Fulton, Secretary, 571 Eagle street.

"We have just received a new supply of extra fine quality of hay. Cail, write or telephone T. W. Richmond's coal and door."—Chicago Record.

Caustic Criticism of the Challenger and Challenged.

> Backer of Walcott Both Acts and Talks.

FOOTLIGHT FIGHTERS.

Has Already Posted \$5000 to Get on a Match With McCoy.

New York, Jan. 3.—Tom O'Rourke, the

fight promoter, after his return from Chicago, posted with The Police Gazette a certified check for \$5000 as a guarantee for a match he wishes to arrange between Joe Walcott and "Kid" McCoy. O'Rourke said Sunday: "I didn't run to Al Smith and get him to put up some of his money, as McCoy and Corbett like to do, but I put up my own coin, and mean business. Walcott will fight McCoy at the middle-weight limit, and give away a dozen pounds at that. McCoy says he had drawn the color line, but he doesn't explain why he fought a colored pugillst named Wiley Evans several years ago, and why he left Evans' name out of his record. McCoy is overrated by the public. He was knocked out in a punch by Steffers, who was one of the worst stiffs that ever stepped into the ring, and he was also beaten by a song and dance man by the name of Kennedy. The first time he fought Dick O'Brien he ran around the ring for 25 rounds. The second time he beat O'Brien in seven rounds, while Walcott, the sound time he fought O'Brin, won in a round. McCoy says that Walcott ought to fight West and Lavigne. Walcott :salready matched to fight Lavigne next month at San Francisco, but I'll say right here Lavigne won't want to fight, although the weights are at 137 pounds. If Lavigne will fight I'll present him with \$500, and I'll also bet him \$5000 to \$4000 that Walcott will win.

"There's another point that I wan to-make about McCow. When we hear him sav he will insist upon Chovnski weighing 158 pounds we're inclined to believe that the 'Kid' is afraid of Joe. McCoy won't fight Choynski at 165 pounds, although the 'Kid' is big enough to go into the heavy-weight class. He says he wants to be the middle-weight champion of the world. Did anybody ever hear Fitzsimmons, who holds the title yet, ask Maher, Sharkey, and Choynski to come down to 158 pounds? If McCoy won't fight above that weight he can't meet Choynski, so here's Walcott ready to accommodate him. I'm not trying to advertise Walcott for theatrical reasons, for Joe is not an actor on the stage, but a pugilist, who wants to fight anybody.

"The public is rapidly growing tired of the absurd gush that is being printed about Corbett and Fitzsimmons, who do not want to fight, but are looking for enought free advertising to boom their theatrical business. It's a case of playing for dates instead of indulging in ring tactics. There is an understanding between them, and I know what I am talking about. When they fought at Carson they made an agreement, which holds good now. They said they would not fight anybody or each other until after one year, dating from March 17 last. Then they agreed they would have another go next July. I'll bet \$1000 Corbett and Fitzsimmons won't fight anybody eles oefore they meet again, and I'll bet another \$1000 that they'll have another fight next July. There is a perfect understanding between these footlight pugilists, who are simply fooling the public with their

satements." Maker to Sharkey.

Pittsburg, . In. 3.—John J. Quinn, acting for Peter Maher, has mailed articles of agreement to Thomas Sharkey for either a boxing contest before a club, or a finish fight at Carson City. Maher stipulates that Marquis of Queensbury rules shall govern and the referee must be mutually agreed upon one week in advance of the fight. The other conditions are left blank for Sharkey to fill in as suits. He can name the number of rounds, the size of the side bet and the percentage the winner and loser shall take if the fight is for a purse or receipts. If the fight is to a finish Sharkey can name the amount each shall put up, provided it is not less than \$5000 a side. Maher has \$1000 deposited with John Pringle, sporting editor of The Dispatch, which will be transferred

to any stake-holder Sharkey may name. Creedon Talks Big. New Orleans, Jan. 3 .- Dan Creedon, who has located in this city for the winter, says: "Kid McCoy is enjoying the fruits of a combination of accidents. Mc-Coy claims the middleweight championship, as in the fight with me at catchweights I weighed four pounds over the limit, and I knew McCoy was more than 14 pounds outside the middleweight notch. Besides that I was sick during my training, and sick during the fight and am still under the weather. In my condition McCoy should have beaten me in the sixth round, but on my word he can't punch at all. I stopped because my own exertions exhausted me. I can defeat McCoy at any terms, but he is not a heavyweight, and as a catchweight he is a mongrel. If he wants to win the middleweight championship I will fight fum for it, but it means 158 pounds."

Enemies of Civil Service Reform.

Washington, Jan. 3.-It is intended by the house opponents of the civil service law that the debate shall cover the whole question, and they expect to develop interesting facts. The defenders of the law have made elaborate preparations to meet the assault. The records of individuals are likely to be very much in evidence. It is not expected that the debate will be concluded this week, as Saturday has been set aside for paying tribute to the memory of Representative Wright of Massachusetts, General Grosvenor of Ohio, who has been one of the mainstays of the opposition to the law, is very desirous of participating in the debate, but owing to the senatorial fight in Ohio, he probably will not be able to return until next week. It is not believed that there will be any attempt to close the debate before he has had an opportunity to make the speech which he has prepared.

A Convert of the Wheel. "Pedalton used to be very fond of

taying there is no such thing as perfection in life." "Yes. But that was before he bought

his new bicycle."-Washington Star.

Capacity Gets There.

"What is business capacity, Uncle Bill?"

"Business capacity is having sense enough to go to the back door when people won't answer a ring at the front

Defective Paper Making. Paper makers are discussing the peouling fact that for many centuries there What Colonel Bill Switzler Save.

The impression is general that Mis-

sourt river water is dirty—that the big

river flows about two parts of dirt and

one of mud-but the impression is erro-

neous, for the Missouri river's water is

purer then the water of any great river

in the country, the Flatte alone except-

ed. It is true that when a bucketful of

it is dipped up it appears to be dirty,

but if the water is left until it settles it

will be found that the sediment at the

bottom is fine, dark colored sand and

not mud. The Missouri river's water is

never minddy, save during the spring

Colonel Bill Switzler of Boonville,

Mo., declares that the general idea that

Missouri means "big muddy" or "mud-

dy water" is wrong. He says, and Col-

onel Bill Switzler is an authority, that

it means "wooden cance." The name,

he says, belongs to the Illinois dialect

of the Algonquin Indians. The name

Missuris or Missouri was applied by the

Indians of the upper lake region to the

tribe of Indians Tiving west of the Mis-

sissippi river, because the latter used

wooden canoes instead of birch bark

Wooden canoes had to be used on the

Missouri river because it was too turbu-

lent for the frail birch bark canoes, and

in this way the big river secured its

nama. But no matter whether Missouri

means "muddy water" or "wooden

cance," the fact remains that Missouri

river water is not muddy. It does not

flow through mud, but through fine

sand. The Mississippi river water is 100

per cent dirtier than the Missouri, but

poets have raved about the beautiful

blue of the Father of Waters.—Omaha

Tennyson's Slip.

Lord Tennyson is in his "Life" (vol-

ume 2, page 14) reported to have said:

'I never put two s's together in any

verse of mine. My line is not, as often

"And freedom broadens slowly down,

"And freedom slowly broadens down."

On reading this I opened my Tempson

'Sir Launcelot and Queen Guinevere,'

Sometimes the linner piped his song.

She seemed a part of joyous spring.

The next piece is "The Farewell,"

No more by thee my steps shall be.

The next piece is "The Beggar Maid,"

As shines the moon in clouded skies,

Thinking that perhaps Lord Tennyson

referred to his blank verse, I turned to

Or how should England, dreaming of his sons,

Lord Tennyson must, I think, have been

Marriage In England.

lating the French in the absolute disin-

clination to marry. When they do de-

cide to take this important step, they

now frequently insist upon that dot

which is part of the French idea of a

successful and convenable marriage.

The real-fact of the matter is that the or-

dinary modern Englishman has no desire

to disturb his bachelor estate. If he has

no title, no special wealth, no great his-

single blessedness is good enough for

him. This state of mind is attributed

by many to the growing independence

of women. 'Possibly this is true, prob-

ably it is not. Mercenary spirits boldly

assert that marriages in England will,

on the whole, never be successful until

women bring dots to their husbands,

since gold inspires respect if not love.

Marriage on a strictly business basis is

evidently the future for all English we-

men to look forward to.—San Francisco

His Own Uncle.

dent came suddenly face to face with a

dear, kind, old, fatherly looking gentle-

man of highly respectable appearance.

idea flashed across both of them.

wa have met so often."

with the long white hair?"

broker."—London Answers.

They both stood transfixed. The same

familiar, but I can't remember where

However, the friendly impulse was

carried out. They shook hands warmly,

partook of a friendly glass and departed,

still ignorant of each other's name and

But the young man was determined

"Who is that distinguished stranger

"If you please, sir, that's the pawn-

Refreshing.

Mistress (to unsophisticated maid

from the country)—I'm sadly afraid I

shall have to dismiss you, Eliza-your

untidy ways, and then the things you

Unsophisticated Maid-Oh, if you

please, mum, don't send me away yet.

My mother says if I stay here and learn

how to do things I can then go to a real

good place in some high family.—

His Advantages.

"In what way?"

cago Record.

"Our organist has an easy time of it."

"When he wants his wheel pumped

Between the years 1690 and 1830 the

government paid the inhabitants of

Dundee and Belfast £28,000,000 to en-

able them to sell and export Scottish

From Germany we get the custom of

celebrating gold and silver weddings.

up, he attaches it to the organ."--Chi-

And the waiter whispered slowly:

to solve the problem, and he seized on a

"Your face is familiar to me-very

A few days ago a young medical stu-

Argonaut.

occupation.

waiter.

Englishmen now, it is said, are emu-

She in her poor attire was seen.

the "Dedication of the Idylls,"

Till God's-love set-thee at his side again.

misreported.—London Spectator.

which I find these two lines:

which has the consecutive lines:

high water.

oanoes.

World-Herald.

quoted:

double s-namely:

As she fled.

As she swayed.

which has the line:

but:

and

have been periodical investigations into the "deterioration of paper." Recently the Society of Arts in Loudon appointed a special committee to make an investigation of this character. Old records show that fault has been found with the quality of paper in almost every age, and most of the famous museums and libraries in Europe have specimens of pure rag paper which show decay due to flaws in the texture. Away back in 1836 Peter II of Spain issaed a proclamation commanding the paper makers of Valencia and Xativa to restore the paper to its old good quality, unless they wish to be found guilty of fraud and punished accordingly." About 1220 an emperor of Italy directed that all public documents on paper should be declared invalid. All records covering the previous two years were ordered to be transcribed on parchment in order that they might be preserved more securely.

It is recalled that in 1875 the Academy of Sciences in Paris offered a prize for the best answer to this question, "Which are the real reasons for the general decline in the quality of paper and which are the best means to remedy the evil?" This prize was never awarded, for the reason that nobody undertook to compete for it. Experts disagree as to which period in the history of paper making produced the most durable and the best quality of paper. Soon after the art of making paper was transplanted from Africa to Spain complaints were made and recorded that the Christian successors of the Moorish paper makers were making an inferior paper. At first the art was imperfectly copied.—New York

The Retired Burglar.

"I don't think I was ever very much scared," said-the retired burglar, "but I have been as much scared by slight, little things, that were of no real account, as by anything else. For instance, by the scratching of a rat, starting up suddenly and running around in the wall. I was never more disturbed than I was once by the absolute stillness of a room that I was in. It was which contains four instances of the dead and oppressive, and I couldn't account for it.

"I swung my lamp around and saw the usual things that you might expect to see in such a room—it was a dining room—including a clock on the mantel. It was a pendulum clock, one of the kind that has a little clear space in the lower part of the glass front, through which you can see the pendulum as it swings back and forth. The lamp simply swept across the face of the clock. as I swung it around, but an instant later I realized that I had seen no pendulum swinging back and forth behind that clear space. It wasn't swinging. The clock had stopped.

"I set my lamp on the shelf and opened the door of the clock and started up the pendulum, and then I heard the regular ticking of the clock. And that was all that was wanted. But what a relief it was to hear it! I could sort out the spoons now with a cheerful spirit." —New York Sun.

A Sermon With a Point to It.

A clergyman in the west-country had two curates, one a comparatively old man, the other very young. With the former he had not been able to work agreeably, and on being invited to another living he accepted it and took the young curate with him. Naturally here was a farewell sermon, and we toric name to hand down to posterity, can imagine the feelings of the curate who was to be left behind when he heard the text given out, "Abide ye here with the ass, and I and the lad will go yonder and worship."

Sterne once declared in regard to the widely respected maxim, "De mortnis! nil nisi bonum," that there was nothing right-about it but its Latin. This view was evidently shared by a certain Edinburgh minister who, being asked to preach the funeral sermon of a miserly brother cleric, chose as his text the words, "And the beggar died."—Chambers' Journal.

A Domestic Echo.

An east end man went down town in Euclid motor a few days ago, and by the time the car reached Dunham avenue he was fast asleep. The conductor came after his fare, but the citizen was oblivious of the fact. The conductor reached forward and shook him. The citizen swayed slightly, but he didn't wake up. Then the conductor reached forward again and gave the sleeper a violent push. The latter merely shook himself and then growled in a distinctly audible

"Quit your pushing! There's plenty of room on your side.

The laugh that followed woke him up.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

An Autobiography. I was born Nov. 30, 1835. I continue

to live just the same. Thus narrow, confined and trivial is the history of a common human lifethat part of it, at least, which it is proper to thrust in the face of the public, and thus little and insignificant in print becomes this life of mine, which to me has always seemed so filled with vast personal events and tremendous consequences. I could easily have made it longer, but not without compromising myself.—Mark Twain.

Different Points of View.

"An old bachelor," said the sweet girl, "is a man who confesses that he does not think he is smart enough to take care of any one but himself."

"To my mind," said the mean man, 'he shows that he is too smart to take care of any one but-himself."--Cincinnati Enquirer.

Sweet Auburn. Martha-Speaking of Miss Mintdrop,

Notice is hereby given that all persons

having residences in the city must clear

the sidewalks in front of their residences

of snow and ice within 24 hours of the

time of snow fall or ice formation. Neg-

lect to comply with this order will make

any offender subject to the law's penalty.

COMMISSIONER-OF PUBLIC WORKS.

By order of

hasn't she got a red head? Martin—She did have before she came into her uncle's property.-Boston Transcript.

Life Insurance

and Irish linen at less than cost.

If you would avoid the increasing cost of the old-fashioned post mortem assessment plan as well as the excessive cost of OldLineInsurance, insure with the

A BRUISED CHEST. Are you inviting disease?

And are you preparing to make it comfortable when it comes? It is well enough to make your friends happy and comfortable, but why treat your worst enemies—the germs of dis-

ease — in this way? You are certainly issuing a very tempting invitation to consumption when you neglect your cough.

Every cough is as a rough file, tearing and destroying the delicate membranes of the throat and lungs. The "soreness in the chest" is the same as the soreness

from a bruise. Do not neglect these bruises of the lungs.

If you are very strong and well you may escape; but if there is any family history of weak lungs, or of consumption, and if your general health is not quite up to the average — Look out! There is danger ahead,

And perhaps not so far ahead as you think!

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The book agent, the sewing machine agent, the insurance agent, have each and all won distinction by their perseverance, but the agent of the washing machine is worth his weight in gold to the house for which he travels if all there is said about him in the following is

Exasperated Woman of the House-I have told you a dozen times I don't want the machine. Sic him, Tige!

casually, and the first piece I saw was Agent (while the dog is gnawing his leg)—Don't want the machine, ma'am? Pardon me, you haven't yet seen half Its good points. It washes the clothes cleaner than any other and in less than half the time. It never tears off a button. It''--

> "Good heavens! Don't you see what the dog is doing?"

> "Yes, quite a-playful animal. This machine, ma'am, uses less soap, takes up less room"---"He'll tear you to pieces if you don't

> go. Run, for mercy's sake. He's tasted blood, and I'm afraid I can't stop him "I have to put up with such things,

> ma'am, and it's a good cause. This machine is the best one that ever was invented. If I can succeed in introducing one into a family, I always feel that I have done a benevolent act. You can use any kind of water, hard or soft, hot or"-

"Oh, no, no! He'll kill you. What is the machine worth?" "It's worth \$1,000,000 to any family,

but I'm selling it for only \$5, and"-"Here's your money. I'll take it. Tige, Tige! Let go!"

"Looks as if we were going to have rain. Well, I must be going. Good afternoon, ma'am." - Sewing Machine



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To the Honorable the Justices of the Superio

Superior Court.
To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court, next to he holden at Pittsfield, within and for the County of Berkshire.

Respectfully lile is and respresents George Pugh of Williamstown, in said county, that he was lawfully married to Edizabeth Pugh, now of Nangaruck, in the state of Connecticut, at North Adams, Mass., on the eleventh day of September, A. D. 1873, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said Elizabeth Pugh lived together as husband and wife in this Commonweath, to with at North Adams, that your libellant has always been faithful to his marriage vows and obligations, but the said Elizabeth Pugh, being wholly regardless of the same, at North Adams, Mass., in the month of January, A. D. 1877, sterly deserted your libellant and has continued such desertion from that time to the date hereof, being more than three consecutive years next prior to the filing of this libel.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a diverce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said Elizabeth Pugh.

Dated the eleventh day of December, A. D.

COMMONWEAUTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

Berkshire, ss. Superior Court at Pithefald.

December 14, A. D. 1997.

Upon the foregoing libel-Ordered that the libellant notify the libellee to appear before the fire in Pittshe'd, aforesaid, on the first Monday of rebruary n xt, by causing an attested copy of sa d Libel, and of this Order thereon, to be published in the North Adams Transcript, a newspaper printed in North Adams in said county, orce a week, three weeks successively, the last publication thereof to be fourteen days at least before the first Monday of February next; and also by causing an attested copy of said Libel and Order, to be sent by letter, registered, if practicable, to the last known residence of the Libellee, that the may then and there appear, and show cause, if any she has, why the prayer of said Libel should not be granted.

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-John A. Andrew.

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## MAYOR CADY:S INAUGURAL.

Mayor Cady's inaugural address to the city council, delivered this morning, is characterized by brevity and good sense. In it are to be found no flourishes and no boasts, but there is displayed the strongest desire to serve the people of this city well and faithfully. Mr. Cady belongs to that class of men who do not boast themselves when putting on the harness.

The strongest approval of permanent public improvements is made. On this point the mayor lays the greatest emphasis of his whole inaugural. He would have been a permanent improvement man years ago had he been in office. His recommendation of the completion

of work now begun and the paving of at least one more street during the coming year will be heartily approved by the people of this city. His reference to the building of the new school houses and his hearty approval of the same shows that Mr. Cady knows what are the healthful signs in a community and that he will not shirk any respensibility for sustaining and maintaining the most important institution in the community. You are right, Mayor Cady, in your views of the liberality that should be displayed toward schools. It is the Massachusetts spirit, and as the commonwealth's schools are her chief glory, North Adams will only do her part well as a Massachusetts city if she meets every requirement of public education. If it be necessary to enlarge Drury or rebuild it, as the mayor suggests, the people of the city will approve such action. The, mayor's reference to the public library and its needs, shows the same comeducation in this city.

What is said of the sewers and water supply reflects credit upon the work of the past administration. Reference to "economy and retrenchment" shows that Mayor Cady does not mean that taxation shall be increased, and that he is cognizant of the fact that the people of the city are apprehensive of an increasing city debt. With a desire to push forward public improvements and yet with the expressed purpose of observing the greatest economy, Mayor Cady begins his administration in a way that will be approved by the great majority of the voters of this

# THE BUSINESS SITUATION.

The new year opens with a brighter business outlook than for years before. The conditions are very different from those which prevailed a year ago. Great financial distrust existed then, but has passed away. After a whole year of entire freedom from disturbance or alarm, in which the country has paid heavy foreign indebtedness, taken and paid many millions for stocks sent from abroad, and occumulated credits against other countries represented by merchandise balances more than \$320,000,000 in its favor the past five months, with deferred exchanges for more than \$20,000,000 held by New York banks alone, while the great industries have been pushing their way into foreign markets with unprecedented success,the monetary situation is no longer a matter of anxiety. More than half a million men in a few states, according to official reports, are employed now who were idle a year ago, and the general advance in wages for those employed has gone far to restore the rates prevailing before the panic. The volume of business through clearing honses, for the week 14.2 per cent larger than in 1892, has for the month been 0.3 per cent, larger than in that year, and in many industries and branches of business the later months of this year have sur-

passed all records. The shipments of boots and shoes in December were 23.6 per cent. larger than last year, and 38.8 per cent. larger than in 1892, and for the entire year have much surpassed those of any other year in history, notwithstanding the complaint that higher prices have prevented purchases. Obviously the consuming demand is greater than anybody has supposed, and the prospect is that dealers will be able

to pay better prices in the near future. The cotton industry is halted by the question of wage;, although a general reduction now seems probable. The manufacturers have been buying largely of material for worsted goods, and their purchases have stimulated buying by wool manufacturers, so that the wool markets are stonger, though without

changes in quotations. After the great excitement at Chicago, wheat still goes out of the country as largely as before, from Atlantic ports 3,570,783 bushels, flour included, against 1,542,540 last year, and from Pacific ports, 1,712,625 bushels, and in four weeks the Atlantic exports, flour included, have been 15,060,047 bushels against 8,500,161

last yéar. Failures for the week have been 395 in the United States against 439 last year, I napolis Journal. and 21 in Canada against 39 last year.

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The Democratic newspapers are not now talking so much about the Dingley evenue defloit. A new light has broken.

Good luck to the new administration! May it have as good courage as the outgoing administration and do as much for

The death of Judge Bennett, the venerable dean of the Boston University law school, takes away one of the most brilliant legal luminaries of the state.

Does the Pittsfield Journal now realize that Bismarck is o' dead despite its sixcolumn obituary notice? The plate obituary in the newspaper office is a daugerous thing.

It is understood that both Commissioner Hunter and City Solicitor Thayer have told Mayor Cady that they do not care for public office another year, preferring to give their time to their own private

O'Neil's statement that he would like to see O'Connell tried for the murder of Mrs. McCloud is creating much comment. But is it anything more than the condemned man's clutching at straws to a ve himself, or at least to delay his execution.

Mr. Houghton strongly recommended today the pushing of public improvements and the outlay of considerable money to do it. Mr. Houghton's business judgment is back of this advice, and his reasons for so recommending are very strong. His opinion will undoubtedly have strong weight with the council's future actios.

E. S. Wilkinson is the right man for president of the council. He is familiar with parliamentary law and the conduct of business, and will guide the proceedings of the council in a dignified and fair manner. The council did well in choesing him. At the same time regret was expressed that Col. Bracewell did not care to serve again.

We would again call attention to the high value of the lecture on municipal public work to be given tonight by Prof. Commons at the Congregational church. The professor today is making some investigation at the city hall, the results of which he will make use of in his talk. Prof. Commons is against contract in public work and on this interesting point he will adduce some strong evidence and

The Massachusetts practice of having death executions take place at the county seat of the county in which the crame is committed and where the criminal has been convicted is wrong. Other states have discarded this victous practice. It is not good for the community, and the execution is performed by inexperienced hands. Let it all be done at one of the state prisons, and let it be electrocution rather than hanging.

Old Settlers Yarns. They were two old pioneers of upper Michigan entertaining the gullible re-

"When I first came to this region," said the veteran who owns a log cabin, a flatboat and a turnip patch, "we had a good deal of trouble with bears. They'd come sniffin round the shanty at night, and you could go out any mornin and law in a stock of \*Bout the best luck I ever had was one mendable spirit in encouraging liberal | fall when I was pokin about just beyant the clearin. I was shovin a bullet home with an iron ramrod when I see a she bear and three cubs comin toward me. They see me at the same time, and all went up in a row on their hind legs. Of course I was naturally excited and banged away. When the smoke cleared there was them four bears strung on that ramred, and there wasn't a good kick left in none of 'em.'

The other entertainer looked troubled for a few seconds, but soon rallied and

looked as houest as an owl. "Hank," he began, "you mus' recaleck that red cow of mine. There was the beatinest critter I ever see. She could ketch more fish than airy a man in the settlement. She wasn't no expense 'cause she could steal a livin the year round. She could pick a lock with her horns, and ole Jim Clayter swears he see her climb a tree after a black bear once. I won't make no affidavy to that, but I know she used to bring in bear reg'ler. She could do more with them horns of hern than any man could with a rifle. Wasn't she a corker, Hank?"

"I hain't spinnin this here yarn, Lige," declared the other pioneer, who was plainly jealous, "but the only cow you ever owned since you come up here was a mooley."

Though they are both old they are as tough as pino knots, and it took five minutes to part them. The friendship of years is broken and each declares the other the prince of liars. - Detroit Free

# Altitude and Phthisis.

I have spent considerable time in traveling in the Catskills, Adirondacks and the Rocky mountains, investigating with some care these localities, with their varying altitudes above sea level and their influence upon the lungs, and, while perhaps a high and dry and lighter air may be beneficial in some diseases and for its influence upon the general health, I do not believe that it has the slightest effect upon the growth an proinferation of the tubercle bacillus itself. In this opinion I am heartily confirmed by the judgment of many able and careful practitioners with whom I have most earnestly conversed, and I repeat that altitude has no influence whatever

in destroying the tubercle bacillus. A considerable experience with this disease has led me to believe that no place is better for its treatment than New York city. Patients have come to me from every state in the Union, from Canada, from the Sandwich Islands and from Europe, and it appears to be the general belief among them all that the climate of New York city, with its clear air and bright sunshine, is quite as favorable under all circumstances as is that of most other localities. I have under my care at this time patients from several towns in Colorado, from New Mexico and California, and all are doing better in this city than in their own localities.—Dr. Hubbard Winslow Mitchell in New York Medical Record.

# Useful Adjunct.

"I always like to bave at least one boarder who is a little slow about paying," Mrs. Hashcroft admitted to her dearest friend. "A man of that kind, especially a young man, is always so handy to use up all the chicken necks, the cold biscuits and so on."-India-

Some Mystery Concerning His Position on Currency.

HIS RELATIONS WITH MR. GAGE.

Although More Conservative In His Views. the President Is on Cordial Terms With the Secretary, Who Is the Most Influential Hember of the Cablust.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8 .- [Special.] - Secretary Gage has for some time been at the center of the stage in the national capital. He is now the most talked of man in the cabinet. A few days ago the newspapers had it that he had offered his resignation to the president and was about to leave the cabinet. This turned out not to be true. or to be true only in a limited sense. What did occur is very easily explained, and as I happen to know all the facts I will give

When the secretary brought out his plan for reorganizing the currency system, he was savagely attacked by the silver men. They were specially antagonistic to his idea, as expressed by him in a hearing before the house committee on banking and currency, to perpetuate the gold standard in the legislation which he had proposed. When these attacks came, Mr. Gage went to the president and had a talk with him. It was only natural for him to wish to know if his chief was satisfied with his course. He did not tender his resignation in so many words, or even by implication, except that he did say he was going on with his fight, and if at any time in the future the president thought he was battling unwisely or too eagerly he (the secretary) wanted to be called down.

## Cordial Relations.

Of course there was the inference that if the president should find the secretary was going too far or too fast in a certain direction perhaps the administration could be relieved of embarrassment by the resignation of the offending official, and this was the nearest Mr. Gage came to offering his resignation. I am reliably informed that the conversation between the president and the secretary of the treasury on this occasion was of the most friendly and cordial character. The retirement of Mr. Gage from the cabinet was farthest from the thoughts of either man when they

Although the president did not in his message formally approve what is now known as the Gage plan, yet he was quite willing that plan should be brought forward by his cabinet officer. Moreover, ho wants the secretary to go ahead with his agitation and promises support in securing some action. Inasmuch as the gossips of Washington have been wondering what President McKinley would do-follow the bimetallic path along with Senator Wolcott or go with the gold standard people led by Secretary Gage—the answer of the president appears to be that he leans more strongly to the Gage than to the Wolcott

idea. I am reminded by a Democratic senator that four years ago there was a somewhat similar situation in the cabinet, except that in that case the president, who did not quite agree with his secretary of the treasury, had his own way, while the secretary found it convenient to modify his views in accordance with those of his chief. President Cleveland was a gold standard man pure and simple, while Secretary Carlisle still had a leaning to silver. But the strong will and carnest convictions of the president carried the day, and when Mr. Carlisle had modified his views to some extent he became one of the most carnest and elequent advocates of the system for which Mr. Cleveland stood.

McKipley's Attitude. As to the present attitude of the presidont some little mystery remains. The best explanation of his position I have heard was given by a member of the cabinct who is not himself especially interest-ed in financial affairs. "The president believes," said this member of the council, "that he was commanded by the St. Louis platform to promote two things. One of these was the gold standard, and the other was international bimetallism. The first was to be held to till the latter could be achieved. The president has honestly tried to bring about the international agreement. I think if Senator Wolcott were asked the question if the president had loyally supported him and his colleagues during their work for bimetallism in Europe he would admit that such was the case. But, that effort having proved a failure, the president now returns to that other command of the St. Louis platform and is doing his best to make sure and safe the means of preserving the gold standard."

"Does the president personally believe in the practicability of successful interna-

tional bimetallism?" I asked. "As to that," replied the cabinet officer, 'I am not sure, but I think he does. I think he believes that if England were to come in France would willingly join, Germany would be forced in, and Russia and the others would have to follow suit. Although I have not talked with the president on this particular point, I am sure he believes bimetallism could be sustained if the great nations were to agree to try it, but he does not believe the nations will so agree. So there is nothing left for him to do but to preserve things as they are, in accordance with the instructions given him by the Republican convention."

Mr. Gage's Views. Secretary Gage, on the other hand, does not believe "a fixed and relative value be tween gold and silver" could be maintained if all the nations of the world were to join in the effort. It might be for some time, but eventually, in his opinion, natural law would strike down the prearranged parity. Mr. Gage thinks a certain relationship in the value of the two metals could no more be maintained by co-operation of the nations than a fixed relationship between the barometer and the ther mometer could be preserved by act of congress. This is why Mr Gage is so objectionable to the bimetallists and silver men

Personally Secretary Gage, around whose head the storm of politics now rages, is one of the most agreeable men in the cabinet. He is approachable, genial, kind hearted, a good talker and rather fond of meeting his friends. He has a neat way of working and talking at the same time, always without effort or embarrassment. In his conversation he is prone to the use of hor. ly illustrations, borrowed from the fact. or the everyday affairs of the people, and now and then he coins an epigram of true metal. I am told that President McKinley is very fond of him, and that, all things considered, the secretary of the treasury is the most influential member of the cabinet.

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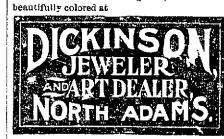
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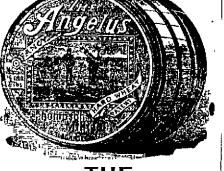
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GOSSIP ABOUT SOME AUTHORS OF THE GREATER NEW YORK,

Fiction Rates In General About the Same

as Ten Years Age-A Lucky Dozen Who Have Raised the Price-Richard Harding Davis-Frederick Pulmer.

NEW YORK, Jan. S.—[Special.]—I inquired of a magazine publisher today about the rates now paid for fletion.

"Rates for fairly good fletion are just about what they were ten years ago," he maid. "But a few writers who have learned how to tell a story exceptionally well have been able to raise the price. Perhaps there are a dozon or more of these. Rudyard Kipling, of course, can command almost any price, and so can Dr. Conan Dorlo and Anthony Hope, all Englishmen, by the way. But the high priced story writers do not all live on the other side by any means. Mary E. Wilkins receives almost or quite as good pay as Hope or Doyle and is kept busy whenever she will consent to write. Octave Thanet (Alico French) is in great demand, and publishers who wet her stories have to pay well for them. Joel Chandler Harris receives half a dime for every word of fiction he writes, and if he could turn out a story at the same rate of speed you can write business letters he would earn a fabulous sum in the course of a ten hour day.

"Frank Stockton easily enforces the same rate of payment, and Brander Matthews' pay falls little, if at all, below it, Mary Hartwell Catherwood practically fixes her own price. Owen Wister receives pay at rates that would yield a very large sum were he to drive himself, and F. Hopkinson Smith, though he writes few stories, is right royally compensated for all he turns out, as indeed he is for whatever he will write. Mr. Smith's methods with editors are interesting. Soon after his return from a few months' stay abroad he is likely to drop in and say:

number of magazine pages-writing and pictures. I want you to pay me so many hundred dollars flat for the article and il-"His propositions of this sort are almost

always accepted, and so are his propositions regarding fiction, for he has learned

therefore, the center from which all draw the bulk of their income. The three Englishmen indeed may receive more money from London than from New York, but the excess is not so great as you might A Lucky Young Man.

One more name is needed to complete the dozen mentioned by my publishing friend. It is the name of Richard Harding

steerer known as Shoeny Mike to think he was a "come on" and then turning him over to the police. Davis can command the limit, so to speak, and he refuses more commissions than he accepts right along. His "Soldiers of Fortune" has now sold to the extent of 50,000 copies and the demand still continues. He handed the copy of a new

long story to the editor of Scribner's the other day, and when he was in turn handed the handsome check representing the purchase price remarked that he was going across the water for a little time to rcst. "I don't know how long I shall be

far I shall go. I shall probably visit Egypt

as yet include many Americans, a full quota is expected. The Cornelius Vanderbilts will arrive soon-possibly are there by this time. Ex-Governor Flower, who is ready to resign the presidency of the Democratic club here to please Mr. Croker, will be there before the present month is over, with his wife, and the Anthony Drexels and the John A. Churchills are among those expected.

young man and his luck began at birth, for Dame Fortune fitted him out with very exceptional talents both in kind and keen eye, a strong physique and the will-'ingness to work. His father was an editor, his mother, Rebecca Harding Davis, was a successful story writer, and naturally he grew up trained to use the pen.

Today his income must be something worth having. I have heard it estimated at from \$10,000 to \$20,000 a year. I should say the latter figure is nearer the truth

Went to War In Greece.

Greece broke out. Palmer was notified by cable to go and

report the fracas between the Turks and the Hellenes. He obeyed joyfully, since if there was anything in human history that be desired above all others to witness it i was a war. Being a hustler, he reached the scene of hostilities at an early stage of

sorrespondents even. When he left London, he took the precaution to include a chine and sent the exposed rolls home as fast as he had passed them through the who had read his dispatches and descriptive articles from the scat of war proposed

that the young journalist should write a The result, in the shape of a volume with the unconventional title "Going to a War In Greece," was issued from the press only a few days ago. The illustrations, photographically enlarged from the film negatives "taken on the spot," and the letterpress as well are as unconventional as the title and decidedly interesting, and Mr. Palmer is receiving the congratula-

tions of his friends. DEXTER MARSHALL

The Adams National Bank of North Adams.

at their banking house in North Adams, Tuesday, the 11th day of January,

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# LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

-The regular meeting of Latayette odge, F. & A. M. will be held this even-

-Eugenie, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henrie Blancard of 118 Beaver street, died this morning. -A number of young people enjoyed a

jolly sleigh ride to Stamford Saturday evening, for a "sugar eat" and dancing - o nmander Henry A. Tower went to Pittsfield today as a delegate from C. D.

Sanford post to attend the annual meet-

ing of the Berkshire Grand Army associa--The original Fisk jubilee singers will give a concert Wednesday evening, the 19th, at the Congregational church under the auspices of the Y. P. S. C. E. Tickets

are being sold by canvass. -Mrs. Arthur Robinson gave a whist party Saturday afternoon in honor of her guest, Mrs. H. M. Ramsdell of Bennington. About 30 were present, and Mrs. Harry Bliss and Mrs. W. R. Sanford took

the prizes. The wind of Saturday evening caused considerable trouble on the street car line during the evening. The light snow was blown across the tracks in drifts, and it was impossible to get the cars through on schedule time.

—The public schools opened today with the usual large attendance. The new part of the Mark Hopkins school went into use today. The building contains 15 rooms and is the largest grammar and primary school building in the city.

-The ladies' auxiliary of Division 4, A. O. H., will give the first in a series of whist parties at their hall on Eagle street tomorrow evening. The Misses Mansfield will furnish music and Prof. Meade will prompt for the dancing which will fol-

-A regular meeting of the Home Missionary society of the Methodist church will be held Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. J. Millard on Church street, and a meeting of the Foreign Missionary society will be held at the church Saturday afternoon.

—The Friendly Associates will entertain the members of the society on Tuesday evening at St. John's parish house. Each girl is requested to bring a small present. During the evening Twelfth Night cakes will be distributed. The meeting will begin promptly at 7.30.

-The annual meeting of the W. C. T. U., will be held in the Methowas serving the paper there the war in dist church parlors Friday afternoon. Officers will be elected for the ensuing year and the department of railroad work will be presented by Mrs. R. B. Harvie, superintendent of that department.

-The week of prayer will be observed by the Methodist church with special services every evening except Saturday. The pastor, Rev. Dr. G. W. Brown, will be assisted by his brother, Rev. Selah Brown of Los Angeles, Cal., who with his wife is visiting here, and by his son, Rev-Francis T. Brown.

-In company with Superintendent Hall Professor Commons, who spoke at the Congregational church Sunday evening, and who will be heard there again tonight, visited the Mark Hopli s' school this afternoon, also the new gymnasium; the normal school and the new Houghton school building, which will be opened in a few weeks. Professor Commons also visited some of the factories today. -- A horse with a barness on ran furious-

ly down Main street at about 10 c'clock this forenoon. At the foot of the street he collided with a sleigh and was thrown but no damage was done. No owner apneared, but a man in the crowd said the horse belonged to his brother, Frank Jones, who lives near the tunnel, and took targe of the animal. The horse was retty warm and had evidently run some distance. -Jandidates for the four basket ball

teams in the new league played in Odd Fellows' hall Saturday evening and played a number of practice games. There will be practice this evening and it is probable that one or two of the Drury boys are planning to start their team within a short time and think they have material for an excellent team. The Sons of Veterang have been watching the practice of the teams already formed and will decide soon about entering the league.

-The New England Telephone company has begun the work of drawing the cables into the underground conduits which were laid some months ago. These

conduits are in Church street, Pleasant street, a part of East Quincy atreet, Wall street, Cherry street to Dover, Spring street to Chestnut, Ashland street from Summer to Chestnut, Eagle street from Main to River, a part of Union street and all of Marshall street. It will take about two weeks to do the work, which will result in removing a large number of wires rom the streets mentioned.

-Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Richmond gave a dinner and whist party at their South Church street residence New Year's night in honor of their guests, Mr. and Mrs. Thaddeus Firth and Miss [Unckles of New Yor:. The house was beautifully decorated and the offair was a most pleasant one. A few intiniate friends were present at the dinner, and about 40 surrounded the whist tables. Mrs. Firth won the vinaigrette for ladies' prize, and Mr. Ramsdell of Rennington the pocket manicure set for men's prize. Mrs. Unckles took the consolation prize. -It is interesting to notice after a heavy

snow storm the prevailing styles in sidewalk cleaning. The pedestrian igstinctively forms an opinion of the resident whose property he passes by the way in which the walk is cleared of snow. Fortunately the typical North Adams spirit has usually been shown in the wide, clean paths which are made, but occasionally one finds that even a line appearing walk may be a snare and a delusion. This is the case when a path is allowed to be trodden and the snow packed in the center, after which the householder appears with a broom and gally sweeps the loose snow from the sides, leaving a hard ridge six or eight inches high, to be a stumbling block in the middle. It is unfortunate that the city ordinance does not include such walks as well as those which are un-

# PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

tives F. S. Richardson and John E. Magenis will go to Boston Tuesday to be present at the opening of the legislature Wednesday.

Judge Allen W. Field of Lincoln Nebraska, accompanied by his son, visited his brother-in-law, C. T. Fairfield of 9 Quincy street, over Sunday. Judge Field was William Jennings Bryant's Republican opponent for congress in 1892, when Bryan was elected by the narrow plurality of 140.

John Reardon of Boston has been the guest of Joseph Barrington of this city. Miss Clara McGrath of Hoosick Falls, N.

 $Y_{\bullet}$ , is the guest of local friends. John Lynch of Holyoke has been visiting friends in this city.

Miss Maude Nichols, who has been visiting in Hoosick Falls, N. Y., for a week, is now the guest of Mrs. F. W. Streeter

for a few days. F. J. Lyon, bookkeeper for the Sykes, Hodge and Arnold company, started this morning for the South, where he will spend the winter onfaccount of his health-

A. L. Lockwood has returned from Lawrence, where he has been to attend his mother's 80th birthday. T. S. Cuddy of Lawrence is with him as a guest.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Quoillet have returned to their home in Fitchburg after a week's visit with her parents, Mr. and

Mrs. Charles Jarvis of West Main street. Albert Gatslick of Troy, N. Y., spent Sunday in the city with his brother, Morris Gatslick.

Guy Rising and Henry Beckel of Alpany spent Sunday with friends in this

# "DON'T WORRY" CIRCLES.

A New Movement Which Mixes Philosophy and Religion Most Comfortably.

A unique movement, which was started only a few weeks ago in a New York church, is already attracting considerable attention. The "Don't Worry" movement It has been oddly named by its originator, Mr. Theodore F. Seward, and its aim seems to be to mingle a cheerful philosophy with religion in order that the mental

tension of modern life may be relieved. The first "Don't Worry" circle was formed at a meeting held in a private house on Nov. 3, and since then the movement has spread with surprising rapidity. There are now four "Don't Worry" circles in New York, and others are soon to be formed in several adjacent cities. The movement is the outcome of a little book written by Mr. Seward, the title of which is, "Don't Worry; or, Spiritual Emancipation the Scientific Law of Happiness."

Here are some of his "rules for conquering the worrying habit:" "Consider what must be involved in the truth that God is infinite and that you are a part of his plan. Memorize some of the Scripture promises and recall them when the temptation to worry returns. Cultivate a spirit of gratitude for daily mercies. Realize



THEODORE F. SEWARD. worrying as an enemy which destroys your

happiness. Realize that it can be cured by persistent effort. Help and comfort your neighbor. Forgive your enemies and conquer your aversions. Induce others to join the 'Don't Worry' movement." This is not Mr. Seward's first effort as

an ethical reformer. About four years age he attempted to found what he called a Brotherhood of Christian Unity, in which he proposed to combine all Christian churches without respect to creed. It is hardly necessary to say that he was un-

Mr. Seward is an active little man of 62 yours and has been an earnest worker in the propaganda of liberal religious views. He is a native of Orange county, N. Y. and is a cousin of the great secretary of state, William H. Seward. He is a musician and has devoted most of his life to teaching music and editing musical journals. He traveled with the original Flak Jubilco Singers when they made their famous English tour about 20 years ago and wrote down over 100 of their songs the musle of which had never before been put on paper. Later he was engaged as intelegal instructor at the College For the Training of Tenchers in New York city.

# DISORDERLY HOUSE RAIDED.

Two Women and Three Men Arrested Saturday Night.

A number of complaints made to Chief Kendall about certain houses in the vicinity of the River street extension decided bim Saturday to make investigations. Most of the complaints were about a tenement house at 10 Hathaway street, occupied by Mrs. Jennie Hack. Accordingly the chief with Captain Dineen, Sheriff Moloney and Officers

Whipple and Jones visited the place about 10.30 c'clock Saturday night. When they rapped on the door Mrs. Hack opened it and on seeing who her visitors were closed it hastily. She was told to open it again, but the officers' Southern have already obtained a world\_ demands met with an outburst of profaue Innguage and Mrs. Hack dared thom to break in. The result was that the officers rushed | The first of the five ears is a composite the door in. What they discovered on

entering fully warranted their saspicions. | cently decorated and equipped dining car Mrs. Hack was intoxicated, three young in charge of experienced chefs and staffmen were in the room, a young lady partly dressed stood in a corner and sevcral whiskey bottles were on a table. When the officers entered the young men tried to escape but were prevented. All were taken to the police station where Mrs. Hack kept up a continual protest,

and the young woman, whose name is Clarinda Davis, tried to sing. The young Thomas Whatmore and Walter B. Montcomerv. In court this morning the men pleaded uilty to lewdness and were fined \$5. each. Mrs. Hack pleaded not plea to a charge of lewdness, Tha latter

relative of Mrs. Hack, went security for both women. The other cases in court this morning were as follows:

William Collins, drunkenness, defaulted Charles Jones, drunkenness, fined \$5. ng, continued until March 1. D. Luther, drunkenness, fined \$5.

W. Young Robertson, drunkenness John Dolby, drunkenness, placed on

probation. \*Calnan's "Hudson Club" eigar, 5c.

THE SWISS FIGUREHLAD.

President Ruffy Has but Small Power In the Little Republic. Eugene Ruffy, the new president of

Switzerland, is a native of the French canton of Lausanne. He is a lawyer by profession, and for many years has been considered the head of the Left or Radioal party. Last year he was elected vice chair man of the federal council, the second highest office in the little mountain republie, and this year, in accordance with the usual custom, he becomes chairman of that body, a post which comes as near to that filled by our chief executive as any in the Swiss government.

It should be understood, however, that the president of Switzerland is really a very unimportant official. The functions of the office are few and the honor connected with it small. Practically be is only the chairman of the bundesrath, a federal council corresponding in a measure to our cabinet. By courtesy he is called president of the republic. He has no rank, either civil or military, has no power of reto and cannot even so much as pardon a criminal. He is not bothered by office seekers, because he has no offices to distribute. Although merely a figurehead he is a hard worked official, for besides acting as chairman of the federal council he is ox officio the minister of state and the minister of foreign affairs.

The members of the federal council are chosen by the national council and are always members of the upper branch of that body. This branch is known as the stainderath, and is something similar to our senate, while the lower branch is called



EUGENE RUFFY.

the nationalrath. These bodies are elected every three years by direct vote of the people. The members of the two chamhers are simply good business men who have wen a commercial standing in their cantons and are thus thought worthy to be intrusted with the business of the nation. A mere posing orator would stand no chance at all of election in Switzer land, and most of our political methods would fail there. At the first meeting of the national

council the members of the federal council are chosen. In most cases the old members are elected without regard to party, the aim being to give representation to the thief cantons and to all the parties.

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Numbers 3 and 1 are grawing room

sleeping cars, each containing 12 sections:

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toilet rooms. No. 5 is a compartment car containing two drawing rooms and seven state rooms, luxuriously furnished. The observation car is the sixth and last, and it will be a model of its kind, containing in addition to the observation parlor at men's names are Charles Browning | the rear of the train, a secretary, a carefully selected library of the newest book? and periodicals, a buffet, and 10 sections. This train will be equipped with the latest ideas in palace car building and a staff of employees in keeping with the guitty to keeping a disorderly high tanding established and maintained house and Miss Davis made a similar by the progressive Southern Railway Company. Tired New Yorkers and couple were placed under \$100 bonds each | invalids will find in the Florida to await trial the 15th. Joseph Baker, a Limited the nearest approach to perfection in railroad travel that can be obtained, for, in providing speed and comfort, the details and trifles have not been overlooked, but, on the scattary, have been studied from every point of view, and the result is the most luxurious Charles Edgerton, larceny from build. train in the world. Attached to the Limited is a Pullman drawing room sleeping car, New York to Augusta. For descriptive matter, diagrams, etc., of the Florida Limited, call or address Alex. S. Thweatt, eastern passenger agent, 271 Broadway, New York City.

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219; Montreal & Boston, 87; Rossett valless - F. R. R., Waltham, 828; F. R. R., local, x26,895; F. R. R., Loston, 629; Harvard, 59; L. V. & D. & H. Jni., 474; F. R. R., Boston, 1259; F. R. R., local, 1168; F. R. R., Fitchburg, 618; F. R. L., Beston, 948; F. R.R., Lake Pleasant, 2567; Troy & Boston, 463; Cen. Ver., spec. C-73,023; Frattleboro & Beston, 548; F. R. R., local v7101; Poston & Salamanace, 485; 23 vallers no check, no name; F. R. R. Gardner, 616. Canvas vallees—Cheshire R. R., 5167; Troy & Poston, 455; F. R. B. Boston, 927; F. R. sper., 3822; Trov & Boston 013; Winchendon & Worcester, 45; Greton Jet., 45; F. R. B.; spec., 19,410; B. & M., way. 9717; F. R. R., Boston. 1858; (coub'e chech) Ayer Junct., 1052; H. T. & W., 3097; Maine Central, spec., 75,817; F. W., 3007; Maine Central, spec., 73,817; F. R. R., Roston, 5427; Rutland spec., 16,509; F. R. R., Ayer Jet., 725; Bradford & Roston, 518; L. V. & D. & H. Jnt., 474; Harvard, 59; B. & M., spec., 175; F. R. R., Boston, 2219; B. & M., wav 9717; B. & R., spec., 5960; Rut. spec., 23,593; Rut. spec., 21,068; Rutland, spec., x28,107; C. V. spec., 45,591; F. R. R., spec., 2549; Shirley, 712; F. R. R., baggage room claim checks, 231,280, 205, 127, 248, 2), 56; Cheshire R. R., 348. H. R., baggege room claim checkes, 231, 225, 205, 127, 348, 2), 56; Cheshire R. R. 8148, 6632, 892; F. R. R., locals, x7102, x87,567, 5645, 1471, 496, 1940, 546, 5934, 37, 672, x58, 710, x28, 155; Black valies—F. R. R., Fitchburg, 1311; F. R. R., Fitchburg, 346; F. R. R., local, 64; (double check) F. R. R., Waltham, x3686; F. R. R., Boston, 623; F. R. K., Norra Adairs, 834; F. R. R., Waltham, Edd, Participara & Boston, 81, 8, 48, 1841, 1842, 1844 tham, 534; Brattleboro & Boston, 81; B. & M., spec., B-28,492; F. R. R., Boston, 5800;

M., spec., B-28,492; F. R. R., Boston, 5800; B. & M., way 3854; Troy & Boston, 5122; F. R. R. Marltoro, 437; Elmira & Boston, 188; Winchendon & Gardner, 10; F. E. R. Orange, 150; F. R. R. Gardner, 118; Chic. & G. T., spec., 24,-415; F. R. R. Boston, 331; F. R. R. Boston, 1890; B. B. & G., Holden, 125; Old Colony, spec. 1220; Groton & No. Adams, 8656; F. R., loc.l, xx7416; F. R. R., Waitham, 674; F. R. R., baygage room claim checks. 40, 225, 285 and 24 with no checks or marks. Chests—F. R. R., Boston, 1677; T. P. R., Boston, 349; box, 1 eshire, 8131; box. Troy & No. Adams, 31; thicago & Boston Jnt., 3455; A. T. Co. Si; thicago & Boston Jnt., 3455; A. T. Co. 72; same marked George B. Hail, Oxford, thuse.; 2 chests without checks or marks;

thes.; 2 chests without checks or marks; boxes, no checks or marks; box, F. R. R., local check, x23.153. Paper undles.—Detroit & Boston, 2692; F. R. t., Boston, 2503; F. R. R., local, 66,975; F. R. R., local, 5110; Saratoga & Boston, 2510; C. R. R., local, 5110; Saratoga & Boston, 2510; C. R. R., local, 510; Saratoga & Boston, 2510; C. R. R., local, 510; Saratoga & Boston, 2510; C. R. R., local, 510; Saratoga & Boston, 2510; C. R. R., local, 510; Saratoga & Boston, 2510; C. R. R., local, 510; C. R. R., local, 55,935; Albany & North dams, 342; Montreal & Boston, 163; Siughampton & Boston, 17; Mobile & Oston, check, 44,060; F. R. R., local, 1918; C. R. R., baggago room claim checks, 19 d 201; 18 bundles, no checks or marks, not a paper box. Miscellaneous—Sailore, g, Maytard, 497; sailor bag, Cheshire,

nd 201; 18 bundles, no checks or marks, and a paper box. Miscellancous—Sailor g, Maytard, 497; sailor bag, Cheshire, 3,018; sailor bag, F. R. R., local, x31,267; asket of clothing, pletures, 3 baby carriges, 1 two-wheeled cart, 1 casel, 1 bicyc e, R. R., (xcoss check 2395, 1 bicycle; F. R. excess check 33,095, and about 400 inbrellas. GEORGE E. BYRAM, Gen 1 laggage Arent.

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By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Laura A. Jones, late of North Adams in the county of Berkshira, Massachusetts, deceased to Care Line a. Joselyn of Boeton in the county of Safolt, dated alarch Lin, 1996, and morated with Northern Berkshira begis in Book 21 and page 124, will be sold at 1 blue accion at the office of S. F. Tinaver in North Adams atmessid, on Monday, the 24th day of January, A. D., 1998, at 10 of ook in the foreing at all and ingular the premies conveyed by said moragae, deed namely, a certain mode or pascel of land intrice on the sonth side of Folice street in said North Adams and being as an iron pin driven into the ground on the South side of said the authors wist corner of the land of one Cole, thence we sterly on the south side of said tyet about not do not one to the south of the ground, thence southerly on the ground, thence southerly on progress of and of ground, thence southerly on say, Eddy and Cooms east line about thirty-rine feet to land now or that the about Laura (A. Jones, thence easter, e., one parallel with said Fuler street and on said Jones North line about fully feet to land the feet, thence nor-therly on soid Cole's were and a out thirty-ning

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CAROLINE E. JOSSELYN, Mortgagee.

CATH OF MASSICHUSETTS. Derk k ... Probate Court. he he f-how, next of kin. creditors and To the head than, next of kin, creditors and o'l other parts of recreet, I in the estate of Edwin R. Attraced Lite of North Adams, in said County of Berkshire, deceased, infecting. Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a lotter of administration on the estate of said deceased to George Marshan of said North Adams, or to some other suitable

of San North Adams, of Grome of the sandsperson.

You are hereby cited to appear at a probate Court to be held at Adams, in said County of Berkshire, on the sixth day of January, A. D. 1898, at ten o'clock in the foreneon to show cause, i' any you have, why the same should not be

granted.
And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this cita ion once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the North Adams Duily Transcript, a news aperpublished in said North Adams, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court. Witness, Edward T.Slocum, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this eighteenth day of December in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven.

FRED R SHAW, Register,

FRED R SHAW, Register, NOTICE is hereby given that the subscriber has been duly appointed administrative the estate of Bert E. Lamb, late of North Adams, in the county of Berkshire, deceased intestate, and the county of Berkstine, deseased intestate, and has taken upon berskif that trust by giving bond, as the inw directs.

All persons baving demands upon the estate of said deceased, are required to exhibit the same and all persons indebted to said estate are called

upon to make payment to—
BLANCHE V. LAMB, Administratrix.
16 Hall Street, North Adams, Mass. December 27, 1897,

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away," he added, "and I don't know how

Mr. Davis will find Egypt a very gay place this winter if he extends his trip that far. Reports come from Cairo that the popular hotels, the Continental, Shepheard's and the Ghezirch Palace, are all well filled, and although the guests do not

Mr. Davis is an exceptionally lucky

degree. She also furnished him with a

than the former.

Frederick Palmer is a young journalist who will make a good story writer unless he sticks to news too long. He began on The Press. Two or three years ago it was decided to send him to London. While he

Moreover he sent in a good deal of exclusive news, in two or three notable instances beating the seasoned British war small hand camera and plenty of films in his baggage. When he got to Greece, he made industrious use of the picture malittle black box. His paper was thus enabled to print illustrations of the wor made from photographs taken on the spot in advance of most other papers. After he had been home a little time a publisher

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SWEET'S CORNERS.

Mrs. William Green and children spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Wil-

Abner Town will be called back to Boston some time in February to finish his ervices as juror.

Professor Lawrence is drilling the choir for the Christmas exercises to be held Friday evening.

Lorenzo Metcalf while on his way from Williamstown to this place Saturday evening was run into by a passing team and thrown to one side of the road. He escaped serious injury receiving only a few slignt bruises.

ourg to this place and is occupying the George Daniels house recently vacated by Mr. Walton.

but very slowly she is not able as yet to walk any but manages to do a part of the housework with the assistance of a chair-Please do not forget that services are held regularly at 11 a.m. every Sunday and that everyone is wanted to attend. The town's poor were treated to a

bountiful Christmas dinner prepared by Mrs. W. J. Metcalf, which was greatly appreciated by Uncle Abe and Elsie. Abe claims to have lost his appetite for turkey, and says that a good plate of hash suits him far better.

Grace Horton took a bee line for that preacher's house in Stephentown, Rev. Mr. Cummings, and were both made very happy. They are both at present working for Fred Northup and are awaiting congratulations. There are some things that cannot be explained.

holiday with her parents in this place. Mrs. G. N. Thatcher with her daughter Sarah spent Christmas in North Adams.

The exercises at the church last evening passed off quite pleasantly, the little folks doing credit to themselves in their part of the entertainment.

held at the home of Mrs. A. E. Bliss the 25th, consisting of Mrs. Clarissa Brown, Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Brown and family, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Thatcher, Mr. and Mrs. D. W Bliss and family, Mrs. A. E. Bliss and family The evening was passed pleasantly and an oyster supper was enjoyed by young and old. The coldest morning of the season was

Friday of last week when the thermometer stood at six below zero. As yet there is not snow enough for sleighing and no signs of sleigh rides for the present.

Hoosac Tunnel postoffice will be glad to learn that Mrs. William Newman has been appointed postmistress of that of-

Hunters are plenty and game abundant, but when the weary hunter turns homeward the dogs are not always with them, consequently a dog without an owner has been stopping at J. O. Brown's for the est few days, a hound of black-and-tan

# POWNAL CENTER.

Klondike next spring.

valuable bracelet recently. It is believed that someone has taken it who was accustomed to the house.

observed Christmas eve at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Amidon, given by Miss Eunice Ladd for the benefit of her school. The first entertainment was singing and speaking after which at bountiful supper was served consisting o oysters, ice cream, cake, oranges, et . furnished by the parents of the scholars, The next in order was a beautiful Christm .s tree heavily laden with nice things tor those present. About 50 were present and everything passed off pleasantly and will long be remembered by all. Miss Ladd has always been one of our mos successful teachers and the district is to be congratulated upon having obtained her, while both Mr. and Mrs. Amidon de

a brother, William B. Arnold, a daughter and grandson in town with his many acquaintances to mourn his loss.

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THE SECRET.

The infinite yearneth alone. The forests with wandering emotion The thing they know not intere-Creation arose but to see it, A million lamps in the blue. If one sweet maid is true. -G. E. Woodberry in Century.

# HIS LAST CRIME.

Frank Fairman, alias Freezeout Fairmoent, Fancy Frank, etc., was a burglar. In every great city of the land the law offices either knew him or of him, and by ten years' patient endeavor at getting other people's property between the hours of midnight and 5 a. m. he had gained widespread notoriety. As a rule, whenever he made his appearance in any metropolis the police either arrested him on general principles or "kept tabs on him." So now in these days London, Liverpool and other cities began to know him less and the small towns more. Though exiled, his glory did not suffer by operations in more restricted fields. Rather he added considerably to his laurels by continually avoiding arrest, or, if arrested, aided by skillful lawyers, conviction. There seemed for this king of the "jimmy" no day of retribution. What awakened the admiration of his

ancient enemies, the detectives, more than anything else was the fact that Fairman invariably worked alone. So far as known, in no single job had he ever been aided by a confederate. Neither did he seek to gain advance information of the "lay" of a house by pumping servants, and, in short, rejected all the conventional methods of the average housebreaker, apparently selecting a residence to rob and then depending on a high order of cunning and intelligence to enter it and overcome all obstacles that might arise. This system of work made Fairman

more dangerous by far than the ordinary burglar, and not a police chief in the kingdom but would have gone to great lengths to put him behind the bars. What his hise tory had been prior to a warm spring night years before when he had entered the home of a merchant in Bradford and swept it of every valuable without disturbing the family cat no man could claim to know. Certainly he was not of the slums. On the contrary, on the few occasions when he had faced the bar of justice his remarks revealed the possession of a good education.

But just then, while the snow falling outside seemed a benediction from heaven on the Christmas festival that midnight would usher in, burglary and theft and murder and crime seemed so utterly out of harmony with the glad spirit of the day that to no man's mind in Paxton village did thought of them even suggest itself.

Least of all did old man Davis, the veteran "chief" of the little town's three nolicemen, fear visitations by evildoers. Had he known that the tall, richly dressed stranger passing his window at that very moment was the noted and dreaded criminal, Frank Fairman, his visions of the morrow's Christmas tree, plum pudding, etc., would have been rudely dispelled. But he did not, and his wrinkled face,

like every other face in town, wrinkled or otherwise, was beaming with expectant happiness.

Fairman was in hard luck. He had been en route from Manchester to London, where he tried to spend every Christmas. but an energetic detective had followed so fast and hard after that he was forced to dodge off into the little village. He was not even sure now that be had shaken his pursuer, and the fear, combined with the certain failure to eat turkey in the west and of London, filled him with wrath.

When he struck the town, such a thing as burglary never entered his head. He had made a big haul in Bristol and did not contemplate a "raise" for some months. But whether it was a strange vanity to startle the unsophisticated townsmen with a "daring robbery by the prince of housebreakers, Frank Fairman' -he fancied he even now saw the black type heading in the village paper-or whether he felt a desire to revenge himself on the town for the delay he had suffered. is immaterial. He had suddenly resolved

on a "job." By daylight he could catch an express to town. There was the house he wanted, its windows staring down upon him now through the curtain of snowflakes-a large, handsome residence, whose exterior bespoke an alluring plenty within. Fairman did not even appear to glance at it as

he strode by. His mission was one of extreme danger, but the prospect only made him more eager. Any one of half a dozen children might be lying awake to watch the advent of Santa Claus and betray him, but he did not draw back. While all the world should dream of 'peace on earth, good will to men," he would try to steal, and try hard. Here and there the houses, by which he aimlessly wandered, sent forth gleams of cheery light, and laughter and song floated out to join the old church bells in glad rejoicing. It was a time in which old hearts became young, and a dozen times that memorable night Fairman besitated. But mingled with the sweet influences that shook conscience and heart were bitter memories, and so he went on jeering at his "mawkish sentiment," even while

tears dimmed his eyes. At last midnight came and making all preparations for leaving by the 5 a.m. train Fairman left the hotel equipped for the expedition. He effected an entrance into the dining room window of the house he had selected to plunder just as 2 o'clock boomed from several public clocks. To one of his long experience the collec-tion of the exposed silver and its arrangement in a compact bundle were short work. Then he went up stairs, feeling his way and occasionally darting small disks of light into the gloom from a dark lantern. He should, ordinarily, have been contented with his seizure of silver plate, but tonight the spirit of daring was strong upon him and he would not turn back. Entering a small door to the right of the landing at the top of the stairs he was asconding, Fairman walked softly into a small passage. In the quick radiance of his lantern's momentary exposure he noted a heavy door at the farther end and this he opened with so firm a wrist that no

sound whatever followed. When he faced the door, there had been no gleam of light at either the keyholo or chinks, but when it opened, to his horror, he stepped into a brilliantly lighted library, occupied by an old gentleman whose face was toward him.

With no loss of self possession, Fairman

closed the door behind him and sough? the protection of a fancy screen near the door. To retreat would have meant discovery, and he waited until he could slip out unobserved. Peering over the screen, Fairman noticed that the old gentleman dropped to his knees in silent prayer, and as ho watched he heard smothered sobs that

seemed to fairly shake the venerable man's "Then of a sudden they ceased, and in a

"Our Father, who art in heaven, thou to whom man turns in the hour of trouble, even as the child to its parent, I kneel tonight to implore in the abundance of thy mercy that my boy, wandering somewhere in the world, shall this day be returned to me. O God, grant that poor, wayward Frank, my deceived and foolish boy, shall see in this time of peace the opportunity to come back, that I at least may look upon his face before I am called to the long home. I pray"— Further ut-terance was abruptly checked by a storm of volent grief that in any beholder would have stirred volumes of pity. To the silent watcher behind the screen the heartbroken cry brought more. His face paled and was clouded with

agitation and protound bewilderment, and his excitement grow with every word of the appeal. The old man had risen to his knees and

paced the floor slowly. Then, actuated by a sudden impulse, he walked to the winraised the sash. In the chill air with uncovered head he passionately renewed his "It is all I ask, all I wish for, in what

life is left me-that Frank should return. Any why not today, why not now, when all the bitterness of humanity is buried in hosannas to thy glory and mun's brotherhe was? Cannot one of those glorious stars beekon him the way? Surely he lives and sprely be will come home. "Ob, Frank, Frank, Frank!"

"Father, I am here!"

Silently Frank left his concealment, and there by the window, regardless of his mission, he went to his father.

It was not in human heart to resist the appeal. And there they sat, hand in hand, until the creeping gray dawn silvered the windows and gleamed on the fallen snow. In his excited state the appearance of Frank at 2:30 a. m. seemed to his father the most natural thing in the world. But when Frank's misdeed, which drove him remember Betsy Trotwood's "Why to leave home and all its loving associations-the theft of money to hide extravagances-had been discussed the happy father began inquiring as to Frank's mode of life since that occurrence and now.

Frank, who was sincerely repentant, had hoped to avoid this by some skillful lying, but the return of the silver to its proper place bothered him greatly. Moreover, his dark lautern made a bunch on his breast, which he feared might arouse inquiry at any moment.

But as he saw the depth of his father's love and realized that deceit upon his carnest love would be more than crime he wavered. It was a fearful thing to confess to his father that he was a burglar, had been a burglar for the past ten years and possessed a small fortune in other men's property and cash. It was especially hard to shock the heart which now overflowed with supreme happiness. But his father was a clergyman, and to him confession of sin meant more than to other men. Perhaps he would forgive him, and at any cost Frank could never live at home with that awful shadow hanging over him. If he failed to forgive, Frank calculated, be could still catch that train. At last he found the way opened to him

for confession. "Frank, my boy, it has just occurred to me to ask you how you came to answer my prayer by your visible presence."

"Father, the reason is very simple. I was robbing your house.' Frank's future hang on the next few words. The answer did not-come for some garb of a countryman carrying an old

time, and then it was in the form of a "Hov. long have you been a criminal, my boy?"

The words cut like a knife, but Frank did not shrink.

"Ten years, but, oh, father, if you can forget, my criminal career ends at this I have no plea to make in excuse. upon evil associations were old fashioned. I have sinned, but repentance and atonement will be mine as far as possible if you will but take me home again. Upon you, father, rests my disposition of life and soul. You may save or you may send me to prison. I am tired of being hunted from pillar to post, and—and—I want to see mother."

For the first time in a decade tears stood in the eyes of the iron nerved criminal. He had risen now and held out his hands in a dumb plea for mercy. On the left wrist dangled a rubber ring for the dark lantern to swing from.

It seemed like a handcuff. For just a little while the old man sat silent, looking at the white face above

Then he rose and took the outstretched hands in his own, and while from the snowy streets outside there came floating the silver murmur of Christmas bells, father and son clasped hands over a chasm of crime and sorrow, and Frank Fairman, burglar, was a burglar no more.—London Tit-Bits.

# Some Corncob Pipes

The observant Jerseyman held up to view what appeared to be a nicely finished corncob pipe. "Years and years ago," he said, "I learned to smoke a corncob pipe and to love it. In those days we whittled them out with our pocketknives, stuck older or reed stems in and had pipes that were cooler and sweeter than any meerschamm. With recollections of those days I strolled into a tobacco store the other day and bought this corncob for only 3 cents.

"I loaded this pipe and lit it. As the bowl warmed up I detected a strong odor of rosin coming through with the smoke. It was disagreeable, but I thought it would pass off after a time. It didn't, but grew stronger. I smoked a second pipeful, and the odor grow even stronger. Then I discovered that my teeth were all coated with rosin. The varnish on the pipe, vaporized by the heat, had passed with the tobacco smoke into my mouth and settled on my teeth. I don't care for rosin on my teeth and anybody who wants it can have this fancy corncob pipe."-New York Sun.

# Between Them.

"Yes," said Mrs. Catchem, "those are my daughters over there on the sofa. They have half a million between them.' It was not until they were married to

those daughters that the young men who overheard the remark found out that Mrs. Catchem referred to the rich old man who sat on the sofa between the girls.-London

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The Charm of the Poppies.

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py in its simplest form is one of the most decorative of flowers. Its simplest form is, of course, the wild flower of four petals. It is treated decoratively in a number of ways, either as a that design of the lifted cup or as a conventional representation of the four petals encircling the receptacle or as the stem upholding the domelike and sometimes strongly ridged seed pod; but, after all, the most marvelous, artistic suggestions are found in the sharply outlined leaves which rise to slender Gothic points. These serve as models of lext design and were carved boldly and delicately in the stone of ancient cathedrals. There is always something artificial in the appearance of the cultivated pop-

pies. They lack the stability or reality and ever suggest the gypsy masquerading as the princess. Poppies, with very few exceptions, are not in the least difficult to grow.

Seed sown in the fall or spring will produce plants that flower all summer. They do not demand an enriched soil and profuse watering, but grow in an independent, careless fashion that is a . relief after an experience of the exaction of some plants. - Nancy M. Waddle in Godey's Magazine.

## Traps and Trapping.

The ways of trapping are as various as the ingenuity of savage or civilized man can devise. I like best the traps that one can make. They seem to give the animal a fairer show; they develop our own constructive faculties, and the nearer we can get to the savage way the more fun it always is. Steel traps have a place that wooden traps can never fill, but give me something that I can make with my own hands, with the simplest tools, out of whatever materials the spot affords where the animal Of all the animals in this country

there is none that affords less harmful sport than the rabbit --- more properly hare-of which there are several species. Its wonderful powers of increase enable it to hold its own, as far too many of our best and most valuable animals do not. Furthermore, rabbits are very easily trapped. Every one knows its little trail, as Good Homes and

broad as one's hand, through the bushes or broom sedge, or its footprints as it hops over the clear snow. Here, where the path goes under a fence rail, it has stopped to gnaw. The rabbit follows this path in season and out, though in the far north, where the snow keeps piling and piling up, its little road may change with each successive snowfall. Trappers there put out a large number of snares, setting them right in the middle of the paths. - Harper's Round Ta-

# Columbus and the Timid Sailor.

It was on the forty-seventh day out when some of the crew began to murmur, and one of them, more outspoken than the rest, walking into Columbus' cabin, implored bim not to go farther. "Why?" asked Columbus. "What's

the use of turning back, now that we're nearly half way there?" "We are afraid we'll never get back," said the sailor. "You'll lose your way

before long." "Not at all," said Columbus, pointing through the stern window of his ship. "We can't lose ourselves. Do you

see the wake of this ship?" "Yes," said the sailor, "I see. It's my own wake I'm thinking of, your

honor. "Well, never fear," said Columbus calmly. "When we decide to return, all we have to do is to follow that wake

wav is easv." The sailor departed satisfied.—L'arper's Bazar.

back to Gibraltar, and from there the

Petit Larceny Not Woman's Sin Alone. The story comes from England of a novel being found in the strong room of a firm of publishers written entirely upon the note paper of a London club. The thing is significant for two reasons: First, because the novelist was a man, and, second, because petty larceny has long been supposed to be the prerogative of woman. It is a fact that, in this country at least, it is women who pilfer the detachable privileges to be found in railway stations, the waiting room of department stores, hotels and like places. It has been found necessary to chain Bibles themselves. It isn't so very long ago that when a woman arose to read her bulky extemporaneous address at the meeting of a certain woman's club, her listeners, upon the back of each sheet of manuscript, could descry the sign and seal of a well known hotel This wasn't so bad, of course, as a whole book, but it was bad enough .-

Philadelphia Times.

Barnes-People talk about Jonah as though he were the unluckiest man the world over saw.

A Star Attraction Lost.

Shedd-And so be was. Think of the hard luck of a man who has passed through his experience in not being an actor. With the notoriety that that little whale experience gave him Jonah could have played to full houses indefinitely .- Boston Transcript.

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James Fowler of Pittsfield spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. I. S. Mrs. C. D. Ingalls continues to improve

Last Sunday Charles Pettit and Miss

## FLORIDA.

Miss Sarah E. Reed spent the Christmas

A gathering of the Brown family was

The many friends and patrons of the

It is reported that our neighbor, Mr Thompson, is contemplating a trip to the Mrs. Daniel Rood has lost a very

A very pleasent gathering was

serve the thanks of the whole district for opening their home for the occasion. Benjamin Arnold, one of our oldest residents, passed away at his home las Sunday after a long illness at the age of 87 years, four months and 10 days. The plans for the funeral and interment were all arranged by Mr. Arnold before his death. At his request the Rev. M. V. Brown preached the funeral sermon, which was most ably done. Mrs. David Towslee also spoke in a feeling manner of of her acquaintance with Mr. Arnold during the past years. Mr. Arnold leaves

5,000 Physicians,

Over the gray leagues of ocean

Ir Sokotra. The population of the island is made up of several races. On the coast one finds a mongrel blend of Arabs and nelow undertone of appeal he heard the words of prayer uttered aloud:

groes. Among the mountains the villagers are Bedouin pure and simple, with chocolate colored skins and handsome features. But, taken as a whole, the inhabitants of Sokotra do not impress one favorably. They are extremely greedy, and "robeeah" is a word scarcely ever out of their mouths. The rupee has ousted the old Maria Theresa dollar from this island, as from other oriental countries, but the islanders are not yet accustomed to the use of the smaller Indian currency, and often looked askance at the 2 anna pieces we offered them for milk or butter. Only once during our stay did we meet with any real generosity or hospitality, and that was from an alien, a merchant of Muscat. Woe to the unhappy traveler whose

money gave out in Sokotra, or to the still more hapless mariner cast upon these shores without any possessions. The sultan, it is true, receives £90 a year from the British government and is required by treaty to befriend Englishmen who may be wrecked on this coast, but the abominable treatment we received at the hands of this mean and dow, threw open the folding blinds and avaricious ruler would not lead one to expect much in the way of generosity toward poor or penniless outcasts. When we wished to leave the island before the change of the monsoon had cut off all possibility of such a thing, the sultan prevented any boat from making a bargain with us, in order to force us to hood? Is it too great a boon I ask that 'employ his own dhow, for the hire of after all these years he may be again where , which he demanded the outrageous sum of £120. We ultimately secured the wretched buggalow for £50, an extortionate price. - Longman's Magazine.

> St. Andrew's by Wardrobe. The tiny churchyard of St. Andrewsby-Wardrobe has many associations. It is even Shakespearean. In his last will the poet left a house in the parish to his daughter, Susannah Hall, "situate, lying and being in Blackfriars, in London, nero the Wardrobe." "But why Wardrobe?" will be asked by such as Rookery?" In a palace built in the fourteenth century by Sir John Beauchamp, the same whose tomb in St. Paul's churchyard became the resort of the dimnerless, who believed it to be that of the good Duke Humphrey, Edward III deposited all the old court clothes. The exhibition was a sort of sartorial library, as somebody has remarked. Now its site over against the northeast corner of the church is covered by Wardrobe Chambers. In the churchyard lie two of "Vandyke's men," and his daughter was baptized there, so there are artistic as well as poetic associations. Indeed, Faithorn, the engraver, was buried there. An old epitaph is preserved in Maitland, but no trace of

it is now to be found: When God was pleased (the world unwilling yet)
Helias James to Nature paid his debt. And here reposes: as he lived he dy'd, The saying in him strongly verified. Such life, such death, then a long truth to tell,

Helias James was evidently of those whose hand is subdued to what it works in. - Westminster Gazette. Silas In New York.

He lived a godly life and dy'd as well.

fashioned valise, upon which an advertisement is painte ed at intervals to the shore he came from, looked up at the sign over the door and then walked in, to start out again presently on another round. Down town he carries two valises, a

A figure that was for a time familiar

in up town streets has now appeared

down town. It is that of a man in the

small, flat value of the alligator mouth I fell because I imagined your attacks kind, upon the side of which is marked the name "Silas." The other, a big, square, glazed valise, bears the name and announcement of a down town ho Silas, wearing clothes from way back, his trousers tucked in his boots, and a red bandanna around his neck. smooth faced and wearing spectacles,

and with a look of profound innocence upon his countenance, wanders about through the busy streets in the low: part of the city. He attracts attention, and that is his business. Incidentally he adds one to the many odd, picturesque and interesting features of the city's varied show. - New York Sun.

Eggs May Bo Kept Fresh For Mouths. "It is impossible in some sections the country to get perfectly fresh eggs during the winter season," says Mrs. S. T. Rore in The Ladies' Home Journal. "To guard against this, in summer time, when they are cheap, pack them in lime water, and they will keep in good condition for three months. Pour one gallon of boiling water over a pound of lime; when settled and cold, pour it carefully over the eggs which you have packed, small ends down, in a stone jar, and stand in a cool, dark place. Eggs may also be packed in salt;

## the shell and prevent evaporation will preserve eggs." Well Matched.

anything that will close the pores of

"I'm a plain, everyday business

man," said Meritt, "and am nothing if not practical. Miss Wisely, will you be my wife?" "I admire your frankness, Mr. Meritt," replied the fair object of his affections, "because I am inclined to be

rather matter of fact myself. How

much are you worth?"--Chicago News.

Luther's Bones.

It is generally supposed that the bones of the great reformer were torn from their last resting place in the church of the castle of Wittenberg during the Thirty Years' war and scattered to the winds, like those of Wyclif. At all events, no trace of Luther's tomb has hitherto been discovered. One of the biographers of Luther, Herr Koest-

lin of Halle, has, however, raised no

little sensation in religious circles in Germany by a recent article in a theological magazine which throws over the accepted explanation of the disappearance of the reformer's tomb as mere fiction. He declares that two workmen engaged on the restoration of the church in Wittenberg castle came across the coffin and body of Luther without letting any of their comrades know of their find. It is alleged that they enter-

ed the chapel by night and dug out the

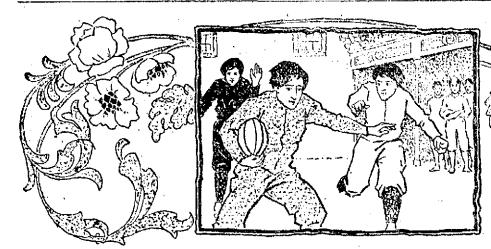
remains, secretly reinterring them, in

fear of arrest. There ought to be no

difficulty in discovering whether there

is any truth in Herr Koestlin's state-

ment. - Westminster Gazette.



# ARD OUTDOOR

# GAME OF

played at Tuxedo between the St. Nich-

is somewhat larger and stronger. In beats an old pair of football boots, with playing it is convenient to use a skate the tag padded to protect the instep and with a higher blade than that of the or- tighten the uppers. dinary skate. The blade is very slightly The stick, from being some years ago curved, and the skate is screwed on to the natural product of any holly bush the boot, which is made especially or oaken underwood, has become a comstrong to stand the strain.

In hockey, as in football, a player weighted to its half ounces. Of course must always be on side, which prevents its shape and weight depend on the poforward passing; also a player is put sition of the player as well as on his

rinks are doing much to overcome this method can be employed to good ad-



The newest thing in the way of a rac- expertness is required for driving this also made between the sixth round and The driver must manage it by some-

made.

by the clever bicycle rider, who, with his hands off the handle bars of his In no part of the country has more been wheel, controls his mechanical steed by so adjusting his weight as to keep it balanced. The requirement of speed on has charge of the next congress the prethe race track nowadays subordinates diction may safely be made that the all other considerations. Hence it seems wholly probable that the unicycle sulky will displace the present type of racing sulky. It is not a very safe kind of carriage for the driver, but that is a minor matter when records are to be

The evolution of the sulky seems to have reached its limit in the one wheeled racing machine. It is hardly probable that any further improvement will result in any appreciable saving in weight or friction. The new racing gear contrasts oddly with the early forms

of trotting wagons. The forms used only a few years ago, toria and members of the royal houseit will be remembered, were heavy and awkward. The wheels were made of monious public appearance. This is due hard wood and a comparatively stout frame was required to give the necessary rigidity. The old forms of racing sulkies were gradually improved, however, by the use of metal in the wheels and framework.

A short time ago it was again believed that the perfect sulky had been constructed. The invention of the pneumatic sulky opened an entirely new field of possibilities. The object of all this work was, of course, to reduce the friction and the weight of the vehi-

The ball bearings, it has been estimated, served to reduce the record a empty carriage in the park at all hours trifle more. The introduction of the one wheeled sulky constitutes, of course, another important step. The saving in weight and friction and the steam. saving in weight and friction and the resistance encountered in racing should. They are taught to stand under railserve to knock off a few more seconds from the present remarkable harness records.

The most important feature of the new racing cycle is that it presents much less surface to the wind than any form of sulky in existence.

# AN IDEA FOR WHISTERS. a great city. When the horse becomes as impassive

strength and elasticity, is made of alu- A valuable schedule for playing teams as its driver or the footman up behind minium tuoing, and the shafts are of of eight against each other has been and is guaranteed to sink into the adopted by the New England Whist as- chash opened by an earthquake with sociation for contests for the America out the quiver of a muscle, it is propattern ought to travel at a phenome- club trophy. It is of especial value in nounced fit for the royal stable. is i rate with a capable trotter between club play in affording practice to eight! the shafts. Its weight is almost noth- men, thus furnishing a larger field from ing, and its contact with mother earth which to select teams of four to repre- THE GEAR OF A sent the club. Unfortunately space will Of course, it would not stand upright not admit of giving the schedule in devithout help when stationary, but req- tail. The changes to be made are inuisite assistance for purposes of equi- dicated by printed cards, one of which

The up to date wheelman or wheel was librium is famished by a very simple is placed on each of the four tables, and man takes a great pride in being abl contrivance. Attached to the two shafts the method of play is said to be quite to tell you the gear of the bicycle to the are a couple of hinged legs. When simple when once understood. The fraction of an inch. It was easy to dehitching or unhitching, the legs serve manner of making the various changes termine the gear on the chain wheel the purpose which their name implies, is so arranged that in each round each the process being simply to multiply the

diameter of the rear wheel by the numover. When starting off, the legs, by an plays once against each combination of bereof teeth in the front sprocket and automatic device, fold themselves up the adversaries, and is in comparison divide the result by the number of teeth team. At the end of each round part- But the chainless wheel has been bus-As may well be imagined, a special ners are exchanged until each player zling those who have bought them or intend to buy them. To determine the gear of a chainless wheel, unless the

formula is known, is an extended and difficult problem. The new chainless, as now made, has but two gears, the highest being 72. Later on there will be others to choose from, but as it necessitates curting teeth of a different pitch in the rear cogs it will be impracticable to have the variety of gear obtainable in the chain wheel. The 72 inch grared chainless has 40

has played once with each of the other

members of his own train as a papings

leading through is equalized; ene'r : ia ;

through such player in the second

round, and so on in each pair of the

first six rounds. The same change is

ing through" of the members of the two

teams. This invention is but one of

the many that New England has con-

tributed to whist during the past year,

done for the advancement of the game

than there, and now that New England

annual meet, which is to be held in Bos-

ton, will as far exceed all the others that

have gone before as the one held at Put-

EDUCATED HORSES

Not within the memory of the longest

reign has there been such a thing as a

runaway among the large number of

horses that drag the numerous car-

riages of state in which Queen Vic-

hold take their airings or make cere-

to the fact that before a horse is deem-

ed fit for service in the stables of Wind-

sor, Balmoral or Osborne it must have

gone through a course of training that

renders it superior to any sudden sur-

prise by reason of noises or unexpect-

The training commences in the days

of the horse's colthood, and he is even-

tually inured to hear sounds and see

sights that would simply terrify and

madden an ordinary horse of highmettle

and limited education. Carriage horses are driven persistently in front of an

depots and familiarized with the screech

of whistles and the hiss of escaping

head, to face flocks of sheep or geese.

to calmly view the flying bicyclist, to

bear the sudden flashing of colored

lights, the rattle of musketry, the blare

of brass bands, the sudden flight of loose

paper, the raising of umbrellas, the roar

of cannon, the flashing of swords, and

any and all of the scenes and sounds of

CHAINLESS WHEEL

ed sights.

in-Bay dld its predecessors.

VICTORIA'S · HIGHLY

er is led through on a player of the posity team in the first round, ion-

Under the schedule the changes are so arranged that in each pair of raints the

and 15 teeth, respectively, in its front cogs. On its rear cogs it has 20 and 24. The formula for determining the gear is as follows:

Multiply the outsile or propelling gear front by the outside or propolling gear rear. This gives that -920. Then multiply the inside or propelled gear front by the inside or propelled gear rear. This gives 15x24-380. Then divide the "propelling" product, 929, by the propelled product, 360, and multiply the quotient by 28, the diameter of the wheal. The result will be the gear of your bicycle, which in this case is 71.55.

# Wheels to Be Loudly Enameled,

If you wish to have your bicycle looking up to date this year, you will have to have it decorated in nickeling and gilt stripes until it is the most ornate affair that ever happened. Such are the present indications, judging from the inducements offered in the way of decorations by manufacturers,

It will be remembered that it was only a few years ago when it was impossible to have a wheel enumeled any other color than black without paying extra, and, again, a wheel that was actractive by its colors was considered a ery cheap affair.

This year, however, manufacturers will make it an object to smear your bievele with as many colors as you desire and without additional charge. To judge the class of a wheel then by its gaudiness will be impossible, for the first class ones will be as fancy in ociors as the cheap ones of former Jays.

It is said that the secret of the Ei success of Cambridge on the Thames la recent years is due to the petty jealousles of certain clubs. For next scatter the coach will be an old Oxford 1284,

ed with the bicycle fever. American

## rears ago, when our fathers industed representatives. I am connident, now, on side as soon as a player of the synthesis to some and minor fancies, but to find the somewhat questionable sport of the saventh round, equalifying, so far as ever, that two, possibly three, years of side as soon as a player of the opening the saventh round, equalifying, so far as ever, that two, possibly three, years of side as soon as a player of the opening the saventh round, and the saventh round, smindy, the cornerstone of modern more will see the crack teams of both are two ways of advancing the ball—and 25 ounces may be recommended, of Gunsight, Tex. A patent on it was not more so than that of a bicycle. were formulated, altered and modified disadvantage for American teams is by "lifting," which consists of a quick cane handled, and with the foot curved granted recently in Washington. This were formulated, altered and modified disadvantage for American teams is scoop movement, by which the puck is at right angles to its shaft. The grain sort of carriage is a sprinter, and no what the same method as that adopted the first hockey team was organized in pared with that farther north. Ice frequently sent as high as 30 feet. This should be large and parallel to the mistake. It has a greater advantage About this same time the game of ice difficulty. But, speaking of ice rinks vantage by the point when he desires to polo was being developed in the United and rink ice, you have no idea how get the puck out of a precarious posi-States, but it was not until 1894, when much colder and harder the artificial ice tion without danger of having it fall a number of our tennis champions, is than that which is formed by the into the hands of the enemy. The other among them Wrenn and Larned, return- natural process. For those who are way is by "shooting." This is the ored from Canada, that the game suc- accustomed to skate on outdoor ice it dinary drive, but it can be perfectly ceeded in awakening interest on this is most difficult to become used to the done only after long practice. The side of the boundary. | Continue of the boundary of the boundary of the barder surface. The skate does not puck should never rise more than a foot It was then that the first American catch hold; the foot does not seem to from the ice after a shoot. team was organized. A game was rest secure."



over an ordinary two wheeled sulky than the bicycle possesses as compared with the tricycle. The expectation is that it will render possible new and extraordinary trotting records.

The vehicle, as its name implies, has only one big wheel. The wheel is tired with a pneumatic tube. The frame of the carriage, for the sake of lightness,

It is easily seen that a sulky of such

is of the slightest. so that there is no possibility of tipping player leads in one of the four deals, alongside of the shafts and are out of once with each member of the adverse in the rear sprocket.

The same of rackets is very little mown of or played in America outide of the big athletic clubs, principaly because the amount of room and exense entailed in building and keeping in the court required for the game. The game is seen at its best in Amerion at the courts of the Racket and

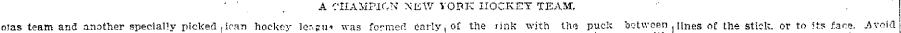


P. LATHAM, ENGLISH RACKET CHAMPION.

professional, George Standing, who, by the way, is an Englishman, was recently challenged by the English champion, P. Latham, to play for the champion-

ship of the world. Half the match took place in London, where Latham won by four games to one, and half in New York, where the British champion again proved his superiority over his rival.

# GEORGE STANDING AMERICA.



All Americas.

Togay universities, colleges and athletic clubs all over the country have Athletic club, St. Nicholas Hockey club, the puck is in play. In the game of Any kind that leaves the palm uncovtheir representative teams. The pres- New York Hockey club. Moniciair Ath. polo, as played on roller skates, two ered will do, and the less leather about ent season promises to become the letic club and the Brooklyn Skaling players start from opposite ends of the them the better. Shin guards will exmost interesting in the history of the club. The schedule numbers 20 games. Think and rush for the ball, which is plain themselves as the player gets used game. When we look back and consider beginning on Dec. 23 and ending on placed in the center. This is a more exthat the first hockey league in the March 26. This is exclusive of other citing way of beginning a game. United States was only founded in 1805. Sames arranged for with such teams as comparison of the clapsed time with the Yale and Harvard teams, the Kingthe present popularity of the sport ston college men, the Victorias, the makes it easy to predict the future. Shamrocks and other Canadian clubs. One rink in New York city had a hockey attendance of 122,000 for the total trophy this season look brightest for games played last season.

In 1895 Mr. James W. Conant, at that time manager of the Pittsburg Hockey club, conceived the idea of trying conclusions with the crack Canadian team which represented the Kingston college of Kingston, Canada. What happened is best told in the language of one of the star players of that team:

"When we arrived in Pittsburg we found to our surprise that hockey as we played it and hockey as the Pittsburg club played it were far from being one and the same. Their game was practically ice polo, wherein instead of using a hard rubber disk, or 'puck,' a rubber ball was made use of. However. we came to an understanding, with the result that we agreed to play two sets of two games each, the first set being governed by the rules of hockey, the other by the rules of ice polo.

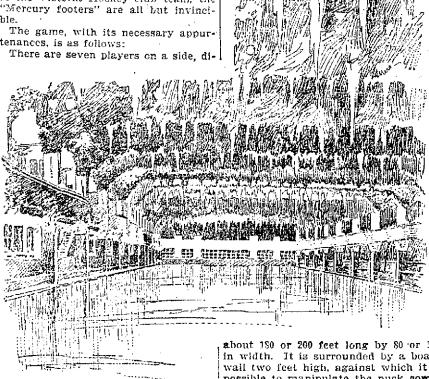
"We won the hockey set, hands down;' on the other we broke even. Then we went to Baltimore and Washington, where we remained for a week. "When we returned to Pittsburg wa found that during our absence a hockey league had been organized, and hockey, not ice polo, had been practiced. The first, the Western Pennsylvania Hockey league, included the following clubs: The Pittsburg Hockey club, the Pittsburg Athletic club, the Western Unlversity team and the Duquesne Country

and Athletic club. "We were justly surprised at the immense improvement made by the players, and later in a final game we had which the Americans had made.

up for the occasion and known as the in the season of 1895 under the name of them. They strike the ice once with a grain that runs tangent to the curve the way. the Amateur Hockey league, consist, their hockeys and then strike the book, or obliquely through the wood. Cloves ing of the following teams: New York eys together three times, after which are only needed to save the knuckles.

The chances for winning the league the present champions, the New York Athletic club. Strengthened by the addition of Baird and Wallace, formerly of the Victoria Hockey club team, the

There are seven players on a side, di-



othe "

THE ICE PALACE, NEW YORK.

a cover point, a point and a goalkeeper, and are sunk into the ice. "Of course the Canadians have one The object which each side tries to aclar advantage. They have played the game complish is to drive the "puck" through to equipment. The most needed are a

about 180 or 200 feet long by 80 or 100 or lawn or the house, called the "standin width. It is surrounded by a board ard," is played as follows: Each playwall two feet high, against which it is er throws six balls up an incline to a possible to manipulate the puck some- tower standing in the middle of a tawhat after the fashion of cushion car- ble, whence they rebound and lodge in oms in billiards. The goal posts are one of half a dozen holes. This causes reason to appreciate the ready progress vided into four forwards (or rushers), six fect apart, at the ends of the rink, a small flag bearing a number to rise,

for 15 years and more, so that it is the opponent's goal. The "puck" is cy-stick and a pair of gloves and shin hardly fair to expect more than a de- lindrical in shape, about one inch high guards, and of these many a player gymnastics at Yale has been modified fensive battle on the part of the Ameriand three mehes in diameter. It takes only uses the first. The best boots are so as to allow partial substitution of cans in their games with the Dominion's the place of the ball in polo. The stick is the lightest and closest fitting, with a boxing, fencing and wrestling.

ompleted for three more pugilistic con- Barry will journey to Frisco next Oarsmen has a great opportunity to bicycle back as illustrated by the sula of Wei-Hai-Wei have been affecttests in San Francisco. Peter Maher spring, and from there will go to the foster rowing by acting on Mr. Leh- scorcher.

The Game of Standard.

better without them, and if back, with

all. He must be prepared to put his

Croquet Golf Society's New

Game.

A. W. ROLKER.

leg in the way of everything.

ered skillful.

exhibit their preity gowns.

Dr. W. J. M. Barry, the globe circling flar measure on lines a little more lib- tion.

summer, participated in the amateur a., for a hunter.

Edward Hanlan Ten Eyck, the Miss Gold's brother was a wonning toria, Australia, last month, and won season, a greater number than had been If they keep on, they may eventually stroke.

and Jackson are to meet in February, Klondike.

Choynski and "Tut" Ryan in January The rule made by bookmakers on the Henley." While some of the larger coling the holding of a horse show in Eos- enough to supply the demand, although country stable, which is now in winter toric trophy at the Henley regatta of gher at a time to be set later. The Oc. of all winners whose closing price is 16 gatta, there is little doubt, if proper year's show was lack of proper man, native gunsmiths and blacksmiths have politan Turf association to adopt a sim- ter the annual regatta of the associa-

Worcester boy who won the Diamond stroke for both Eton and Oxford.

Great place in throwing the harmer and killed this time last year.

Sculls at the Henley regatta this year, Negotiations have practically been putting the shot. It is said that Dr.

Great place in throwing the harmer and killed this time last year.

According to advices received from ruff began to practice law in Philadel
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horse show cleared \$20,000.

quarters at the Country club, Brookline, by the purchase of the bay horse

Hawarden, by Falsette, dam Vendu, the trouby several times.

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The doctors have discovered the "hi- at Poughkeepsie last June, has not required with hide.

The members of the Worcester Fur cycle eye," as well as the bicycle face, turned to New Haven this year, and Pennsylvania's rowing affairs are

NEWSPAPER ARCHIVE®

# "Mr. Chamblet" has added to his cross will defend his possession of the his- and George Green and Billy Galla- outlaw circuit to present to the rider leges might not enter the national re- ton this spring. The trouble with last 200 have been sent there. It is said that

Hawarden, by Falsetto, dam Vendu, the trophy several times, . He has had Hawarden and Bonaparte Guy Nickalls, the must noted Diamond both gelded, and has presented Tidman Sculls winner, is soon to be married. Irishman, who was in this country last eral. to W. Fred Presgrave of Bryn Mawr, Ills flancee, Miss Gold, comes, like him-Pa., for a hunter,

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# THE INAUGURATION

Mayor Cady Takes the Oath of Office This Morning. His Inaugural Address.

# EX-MAYOR HOUGHTON SPEAKS

Both Addresses Advocate Continuance of Permanent Public Works. E. S. Wilkinson Elected President of the Council.

Mayor H. T. Cady was inaugurated and the city council organized for another year of work at 10 o'clock this morning in the council chaml e at city hall. The exercises were simple, but impressive, and the thoroughly business-like conduct of public affairs was shown from the very beginning in the addresses that were

The features of the exercises were the inaugural address of Mr. Cady, the address of the retiring mayor, A. C. Houghton, and the election of E. S. Wilkinson as president of the council for the next year. Reyond the addresses and the organization little was done, and at 11.15 o'clock, an bour and a quarter after Clerk Brooker called the meeting to order, the council adjourned to meet again for business Monday evening, the 16th.

The council chamber was crowded with spectators, and more were present than could be seated. The desks of the councilmen were moved to the front as far as possible in order to make room for the crowd, and the space was filled with chairs. The councilmen began to assemble some little time before the ceremony began, and congratulations were showered again on the new members:

Promptly at 10 o'clock City Clerk Brooker called the councilmen to order. The new member were first sworn in by the clerk, and the following took the oath: L. F. Amidon, W. S. Gallup, W. H. Gove, G. A. Hastings, A. Mignault. C. E. Whitney, E. S. Wilkinson, J. H. Flagg.

After the roll call, the council proceeded to the election of a president. Col. John Bracewell, who for two years has been the president, rose and said that he had served gladly, but that he thought the honor should not necessarily go to one man year after year, and that he hoped the members would feel free to vote for anyone whom they wished-This graceful retirement resulted in the election of E. S. Wilkinson-The election required two ballots, Mr. Wilkinson having 10 and Col. Bracewell 3 on the first ballot, while Councilmen Brown and Whittaker received votes The second ballot gave Mr. Wilkinson 14 votes and elected him.

Mr. Wilkinson was sworn in by Clerk Brooker and presented with the gavel, after which he made a pleasant address of thanks. He said in part:

I appreciate more than I can tell this bonor and I thank you for it. I promise you that I will give the work my best efforts, but these can be crowned with heavy wagons, made to order at short notice Ah work warranted as represented. Repairing in all its branches at reasonable terms. Dealer in all kinds of factory wagons and carriages, harnessen, robes, and blankets. Center atreet, rear of blackinton block. heart. I shall aim to be strictly impartial, and to recognize and protect the rights and priveleges of every member. I have considered it an honor to be a member of this council for the last two years, and I voice the sentiment of the body when I thank Mr. Bracewell for his faithful service, his efforts for the good of the city, his kindness and consideration. Let us now not forget our solemn oaths, and let us discharge our duties with a care and thoroughness that shall make this city government a model one and result in the

greatest good to the city. This was followed by the re-election of Charles S. Brooker as city clerk. Presi-

dent Wilkinson said in announcing his unanimous election: "You have cast 21 votes and Charles S. Brooker has received 21. I congratulate you on electing a courteous gentleman and an efficient worker."

Mr. Brooker was sworn in by City Solicitor Thayer, and made a few pleasant remarks, thanking the council for his reelection. Councilman Cutting then moved that a

committee be appointed to wait on the mayor-elect and inform him that the council had been organized and awaited his pleasure. President Wilkinson appointed on this committee Councilmen Cutting, Barnard and Wills. Mr. Houghton entered the room immediately preceeding Mr. Cady and was greeted with a storm of applause, which was extended as Mr. Cady entered with the committee. President Wilkinson called on Mr. Houghton, and the retiring mayor made a speech reviewing the administration of the past year, and making a few important recommendations for the future.

"Two years ago today," he said, "you placed in my hands a trust to perform. It has been pleasant to be associated with those who have been engaged in starting the city government of which it has been my honor to be at the head. In performing the duties and setting the wheels of city government in motion we have all done the best we could, and the errors we have made have been errors of the head and not of the heart. It has been my

desire to do what was for the best in an honorable and business like way according to the highest light which I had. "It may not be improper here to make a suggestion in regard to public inprovement. Living in this beautiful valley with its charming hills, there seems to be

little to attract people to live here. The water power is exhausted in manufacturing and the most we can now offer is a model tily government. "We have pure water and a perfect sanitary system, and we have begun the improvment of our streets. The act which

conceived the idea of street improvements and the taxation of the abutters so as to relieve the outlying districts is a good one. I would recommend that this act be exhausted. We have already spent \$15,000, and we have paved Main street, Marshall street, and make a beginning near the normal school. And we have \$5,000 in the treasury with which to begin the work of another year. I would recommend that if the council so desires, use be made of \$55,000 more.

"In carrying out this system to the ful extent you will not increase the tax rate

last 10 years. Use \$20,00 a year in the ine satisfaction, pleasure, and aid largely act in various ways toward a common taxes from the abutters, and in five years you will have beautified your streets to equal those of the best cityin the commonwealth. Do not be discouraged at the difficulties of the city debt. You have un annual income from the water works system alone of about \$15,000. With onl \$35,000 interest on the debt you have \$45,000 from a single source to pay it. "Fellow citizens, in laying down the

honor conferred upon me for two years

a word to those who have been associated

with the executive is in order. All have

worked as one man with the mutual con-

fidence of the public good. The commis-

sioner of public works has conferred with

the mayor and the latter has approved

heartily of all his suggestions. With the

city engineer there has been the same

good feeling. The board of health, and

especially its chairman, has brought its

plans to me with studied care in their

practicability, and of them I have been

glad to approve. The city solicitor has

worked taithfully with an eye single to

the good of the city. The fire and police

departments have done all that they could

our good city.

economy, as well as our duty, to give to

all sections such improvements as will

best accommodate the people, doing all

that a wise and prudent outlay can ac-

complish. After completing the unfin-

ished work, if our finances will permit, I

should consider it twise to at least pave

one street during the year so as to con-

Sewers

mend any large outlay upon our sewers

Schools.

During the past year there have been

erected three large and commodious

school buildings. We have doubled the

size of the Mark Hopkins' school and,

while it would seem that we can get along

fine school buildings erected in one

I am unable to believe that there is

a man in our city who is not anxious that

our schools should be second to none in

the state, and I am glad to think that all

Library.

changes are completed our city will have

a library building far surpassing in beauty

and worth anything the majority of cities

of its size are able to possess. Fortunate

indeed are we in this possession, but to se-

cure for it the best satisfaction we must

bend every effort to so equip it with books

and other reading matter that in the

largest measure possible the volumes it

financial condition and that economical

outlay of money that the times demand.

Hospital.

Our hospital I think all will agree has

done and is doing a grand and noble

work, and the faithful women at its head,

who have often under trying and discour-

aging conditions so wisely and unflit 🛢 :-

ingly managed its affairs, are deserving of

the city's constant gratitude and co-ope-

ration. While liberal contributions for its

support and maintenance have been gen-

erously given, the increase and demands

are such that the management are fre-

quently embarrassed for want of funds in

furnishing suitable accommodations for

many who apply for care and treatment

The time has come, it seems to me, when

the city should take upon itself the re-

sponsibility of aiding the management in

have so cheerfully and patiently borne.

Police Department.

to property and person and to bring to

Fire Department.

Water Department,

We are certainly to be congratulated

that we are so abundantly supplied with

pure water. I am informed that the in-

come from this department is \$45,000; this

will pay four per cent, upon our entire

In conclusion it appears to me that it

is necessary that we begin at once to

practise those measures of economy and

retrenehment that will avoid any material

We are called to our several stations to

over one million dollars.

justice all offenders of our laws.

deal generously with them.

come.

city debt.

to the gift we have received.

tinue this permanent work,

the ensuing year.

substantial growth.

reasonable, safe and just.

year.

and every officer has done his best to help the city. All this has been done in your interest. There will always be criticism, but as the years go by you will learn to appreciate what has been done "I wish to mention one thing that saddens the memory of the administration. It is the terrible murder that has been committed in our little city. In retiring I think it is right that you know something that has been done. Everything possible was attempted, and in a few hours after it was committed the police and the people were doing all in their power to detect the criminals. Chief Wade of Boston sent two of his best detectives, and the county authorities did all in their nower to ferret out the murderers. A reward was offered and then increased. When we did not seem to be getting results. Pinkerton sent his best detectives. Much circumstantial evidence was gotten, but it was not enough in the opinions of the

criminals pains me beyond measure. "In laying down the duties of this office it gives me pleasure to review the courtesy of all with whom I have been associated. We have worked together under a charter which after two years of use, seems to me impossible to improve. I thank you one and all for the support you have given me."

expert to warrant arrests. To think that

so awful a crime could be committed in

this city without the detection o the

After the applause had ceased, Councilman Cutting announced that Mr. Cady sent his congratulations to the council on its election of president and clerk. Mr. Cady was then sworn in as mayor of the city of North Adams by Clerk Brooker. After a prayer by Rev. W. L. Tenney, Mayor Cady delivered his inaugural address which is given in full below. The address was the last regular exercise scheduled, but before adjournment Council man Perry rose and offered the following resolution on the service of Col. Bracewell as president, which was unanimously adopted.

Resolved, that the members of this council desire to express to our retiring president our high appreciation of the kind, courteous and impartial administration of the most difficult and often perplexing duties of the office he has held during the first two terms of the city council of North Adams. And that we wish to have put upon the records of the council our thanks for the eminently fair treatment with which our unacquaintance with parliamentary law and our own frequent differences of opinion upon questions of public policy has been met, and we wish to assure him of our

continued respect and confidence. Col. Bracewell replied pleasantly to the resolution, and President Wilkinson spoke of the gratitude of the body to Mr Bracewell for his services. The council then adjourned till Monday evening, the 16th, on motion of Councilman Whitaker.

Mayor's Address. City Hall, January 3, 1898

TO THE HONORABLE CITY COUNCIL-GENTLEMEN:-Having been chosen to fill the office of mayor of our city for the coming year, I feel that I am taking a grave responsibility and, while grateful for the trust imposed upon me, I enter upon my duties with no little misgiving but with an earnestness of purpose to so administer affairs that, with the aid of your counsel and advice, the best possible results may be obtained for all concerned. In order to secure these results there must be the utmost watchfulness and the putting forth of our best efforts. The several committees should give their work that personal insight, scrutiny and interest that they would bestow upon their

own individual affairs. We are at the head of a great corpora\_ tion of about \$8,500,000 of property with a variety of interests, all desiring something that seems and is to them of great importance as they stand related to our city, its growth and prosperity. And trusting that we may rightly consider these varied interests and work together with a mutual resolve and purpose for their highest welfare, I look forward hopefully, confident of an accomplishment of labor that shall be beneficial and satisfactory to our entire community.

To begin our work with advantage the council, as soon as it selects its various committees, should at once begin to investigate everything that comes before it in a close and faithful manner that there may be a fair and definite understanding of their duties and obligations.

The report of the city treasurer shows December 1, 1896, cash on band, \$35,684.17? receipts during the year of 1897, \$607,532.54 total; \$643,036.71. Payments during the year, \$570,570.20; leaving a balance on hand, \$72,466.51. Our debt December 1, 1897, was \$1,001,583.34. I do not think it necessary for me to go

into a long detailed statement of tigures of last year's expenditures. The city report will soon be issued and you can see the condition of our finances in a much clearer and truer manner than it is possible for me to give you at this time.

## Public Works. In the matter of public works I would

say that I am a firm believer in permanent improvements, and in this regard as I look back over the years and think of the thousands of dollars we have expended in experimental and temporary work I cannot but feel that the greatest mistake made here is, that we did not begin more than a score of years ago the kind of workthat has been done during the past season upon two of our principal streets. It is such work that in the end will save us above what it was in the town for the thousands of dollars and give us all genu-

to the name, the respect and character of end. We have been greatly honored, and I am sure we are all feeling that the re-The natural conditions of our city are sponsibility resting upon us is no less than such that we have been forced to occupy | the honor conferred. So feeling let us the hills about us as a residental part of each give of our best thought and delibour community and this, together with eration that we may bring to every feat\_ the large and growing use of the outlying ure of the city interests clear and districts for a like purpose, necessitates a decisive judgement, treating all matters large expenditure of money in the way of fairly and impartially and so secure the street improvements and repairs, but this best possible results for those who have must be met with our best thoughts and committed to us their deepest concerns. judgment for it is important that our Thus, through faithful endeavor, we shall streets and roads be kept in a proper con. have the consciousness of honest effort dition of convenience and pleasure and it and may not unreasonably hope to gain is, I believe, the part of wisdom and from our constituency the only reward

we desire to receive—"Well done,"

# IRISH CELEBRATION.

Centennial of Rising of '98 to be Observed.

This is an anniversary year for the Irish There has been constructed during the throughout the country, being the cenpast two years eight miles of sewers, surtennial of the great Irish rising of 1798 face and domestic, giving North Adams Many of the Irish societies in the country one of the best systems of sewerage of will observe it on St. Patrick's day, and any city in the state, and, with the excepand May 27 and June 23, the dates of the tion of a section of the State street disbeginning and the end of the uprising, trict, we are amply provided in this rewill be observed by many. gard. Until I have time to look carefully into the matter I do not care to recom-

The local branches of A. O. H. have not decided upon a date but Sunday appointed s committee to arrange for an observance which will bring a prominent speaker here. The committee is James Lunny, Richard O'Hern, P. H. McMahon, P. J. Mahoney, Thomas Conners and JL.. Com-

## Death of William McConnell.

for a few years without further building: an investigation of the accommodations at Drury Academy, together William McConnell, a well known resiwith a consultation with Supt. dent of this city, died this morning at his Hall, convinces me that our present high home, 206 East Main street, aged 74 years. school building is not of sufficient capac-His death was caused by heart trouble. ity to properly meet its requirements. I with which he had suffered for about a find that many students in old Drury are year. Mr. McConnell was a native of Ire. obliged to study at their homes and are land, but came to this country many years ago. He had lived in North Adams able to attend school only for recitations. This is abundant proof of the wise 35 years. He was a wool judgment in building the new school sorter and had worked in the houses; and it seems to me that in the Braytonville and Briggsville mills, and near future old Drury will have to be enalso in the Glen mill, which was burned larged or a new school building be a number of years ago. He was an honest erected. This should not be discouraging and industrious man and was highly reto us, to me it is one of the strongest spected. He leaves a widow, three sons proofs that our city is making rapid and and five daughters; Edward of Illinois. William of this city, Thomas of Westfield, Our French people have built during Mrs. B. J. Boland, Mrs. Francis Brothers the year one of the finest buildings in our and Missess Anna, Rose and Lizzie Mccity for their children, making in all four Connell, all of this city.

The funeral will be attended from St. Francis church Wednesday morning at 9

# Baby Found Dead in Bed.

are desirous that we shall do for our Medical Examiner 0. J. Brown was schools all that can possibly be done withcalled this morning to the home of Mr. out exceeding an expenditure that is and Mrs. Edward Harrington of 15 Wesleyan street, to investigate the death of their three-months-old son, William Closely allied to the schools as an influ-Floyd. The child was apparently well ence for good and aid in popular education is the public library, and as it is soon slight cold. The family retired at about to enter the splendid building that the 10 o'clock and the child lay as usual upon Hop. A. C. Houghton has with such high the arm of its mother and between the motive and loyalty of purpose so munificently secured for its future home it should receive at our hands that consideration and support that will best show our appreciation and gratitude for the great gift that has been bestowed upon us. Mr. Houghton has further shown his loyalty followed by dosing with a narcotic mediand regard for this community by exsine and careless neglest. pending a very large amount of money in putting the Blackinton residence into proper condition and convenience for library purposes and when these

# Y. M. C. A. Notes.

The address by Rev. James H. Spencer. given at the men's meeting Sunday afternoon was very interesting and the attendance was large.

A meeting of all Y. M. C. A. men interested in the formation of a basket ball team will meet at the rooms this evening at 7.15 o'clock. The educational classes will meet Tues-

contains shall possess a value proportional day evening. I recommend to the public library the Prof. Murdock's lecture at the normal largest appropriation consistent with our

## school has been postponed from this week to next week Wednesday evening.

Big Fire in Pittsfield.

Fire gutted the old Burbank block in Pittsfield Sunday night, doing damage to the amount of about \$20,000. The fire started in a vacant room on the third floor, and its origin is a mystery. Difficulty in turning in an alarm and the frozen water in the hydrants handicapped the work of the firemen. The building was occupied by a large number of stores and offices. As the block is an old one the ruins will probably be torn down to

# C. L. U. Officers.

make room for a new block.

their work, and, if it is consistent with our charter, I would urge upon you to The semi-annual election of offigive to the hospital such sums as will encers of the Cenrtal Labor union was able the managers to carry on its work in held vesterday afternoon and the present a manner that shall be adequate to its deboard of officers were re-elected. The mands and that will, if possible, make following is the list: President, W. P. easier the responsibility and labor that McDonald; vice-president, J. G. Koffman; through all its years of existence they recording secretary, P. V. Kelly; secreetary-treasurer, Harry Huffnagle; sergeant-at-arms, John McPherson. The Our police department should be our president will appoint the necessary next thought. The name of our good city committees. The regular meetings will be held the second and fourth Thursdays and safety of our people depend largely on the ability of our police to insure, of each month. through their constant efforts, protection

# Improvements at the Wilson.

The dining room of the Wilson house This department is worthy of our liberal has just been reopened after an elaborate support. Every citizen should feel deeply renovation, and Landlords Swift and Bond interested in our firemen whose services are almost gratuitous and who have in have reason to congratulate themselves on the success of the improvement. The their charge the entire property of our work has been done by Tuttle & Bryant, city. I believe our people appreciate and is most artistic. New steel ceiling fully their untiring efforts and wish to has been put in, and the entire room redecorated. The colors are all harmonious, and the improvements add greatly It would seem that there will be no to the attractions of the notel. occasion to spend any money on oul water supply for a great many years to

# Mail Carriers' Nominations.

The local branch of the mail carrier's union nominated the followed officers this noon: President, M. F. McCarthy vice-president, J. F. Kennedy; sectary and treasurer, C. F. Carr. The election will be held next week, when the committees will also be appointed. If you feel weak, dull and discouraged

increase of our present indebtedness of you will find a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla will do you wonderful good.

# A BROKEN HEART.

Performance at the Columbia Saturday Tomorrow's Attractions.

Small crowds witnessed the production of J. J. Black's "A Big Heart" at the Columbia theater Saturday. The afternoon audience was fair, but in the evening the attendance was very poor. And many of those who were there were of the opinion that the performance was very like the size of the audience. It may be that the big heart was so open to human sympathy as to be sorely wounded by the cool reception, and unable to fulfill its promises in the way of good acting-The play is supposed to be a pathetic picture of rural life, founded on the same ideas which have made Denman Thompson's "Old Homestead a classic, but the pathos was largely in the acting rather than in the lines. For a play with which to open the New Year, it was not all that could be desired.

Dorothy Morton and Musical Comedy. The combination of Dorothy Morton and musical comedy seems slightly incongruous to those who are acquainted with the previous work of the actress, whose success has been along the lines of comic opera. With her stage experience, it is probable, however, that she was intelligent in her choice of a play, and local theater-goers will have confidence in her. If she has a company which is clever enough to carry the difficult performance of a play whose plot is founded on misunderstandings without using the unity of the piece, there will be merry making to spare at the Columbia opera house tomorrow evening. The play, "Miss Brevity of Hong Kong," offers a good field for stage and costuming effects, and the management promises that these opportunities are improved.

## At the Wilson.

Burlesque in all its glory will be found at the Wilson opera house tomorrow evening. The Bon-Tons" will oppear in two exaggerations of popular fancies, "The U. S. Yacht clue," and "Klonkike Millionaires." Those who enjoy the easy joviality of burlesque will undoubtedly be satisfied with the performance.

# Harmony of Wealth and Religion.

Prof. John R. Commons of Syracuse university gave a thoughtful and scholarly lecture in the Congregational church last evening on "Political Economy and Religion." The lecture was a carefully prepared one, whose logic was close and conclusive, and succeeded in treating exhaustively the important subject of the harmony of science and religion. Professor Commons is an economist, and the argument was based on that science, but it was in its treatment far broader than any single branch of human knowledge.

After mentioning briefly the popular impression of the antagonism of economics and religion, the professor spoke at ength on the fundamental ideas of Sunday evening, though affected with a Christianity, showing how the science of wealth was a necessary part of religion. which dealt with the whole of life. He showed how econparents. The father awoke first this omies fitted into the system of religion morning and was making a fire in the and explained the dependent harmony of stove when his wife called him. She told the science. The lecture closed with an him the child's arm seem stiff. Looking explanation of two of the strongest popuclosely at the child they saw it was dead. lar arguments against economics which The examiner reports death due to a cold | were brought by the church before this harmony was understood.

Professor Commons will lecture evening in the Congregational church under the auspices of the Tuesday evening club, his subject being "Municipal Public Work." It will treat of the subject in which this city is as a whole most interested, and present the latest thought on the subject in a practical way. There should be no one who is not enough interested in this subject to attend the lecture by one of the authorities on it. The lec\_ ture will begin at 8 o'clock, and the members of the city government will attend

# COMING TO NORTH ADAMS.

S. Chester Lyon of Pittsfield Takes a Position on The News.

S. Chester Lyon of Pittsfield has been engaged as city editor of the North Adams News and will enter upon the duties of the position in a few days, Mr. Lyon has had an extended and valuable newspaper experience. He was formerly connected with the Pittsfield Journal and afterwards became the Berkshire county correspondent of the Springfield Republican. Later he was for a number of years editor and part owner of the Pittsfield Evening Eagle. For the last three months he has been working on the Des Moines (Iowa) Saturday Review, which has been changed to a monthly publica-

tion. Mr. Lyon will not come to North Adams as a perfect stranger. During the years he served the Republican he visited this city regularly and he is therefore well acquainted with many of our citizens and business men. He also has an extensive acquaintance with men and affairs throughout the county and will be a valuable assistant to Editor Byam.

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# Ringing the Chimes.

Francis chimes mark the festivals of Christmas and New Year's day know or the manual labor and technical skill required for their ringing. The success of the chimes depends on the union of masical ability with physical strength and quickness. Chimes, more than any musical instrument, must be ruug in perfec time, and a single moment of hesitation would call the attention of half a city to the mistake. Eugene Coughlin, who has charge of the chimes, is both pianist and football player, and the apparently incongruous characteristics of the two occupations are combined when he is engaged in marking any of the few festivals

on which at present the chimes are rung. It is an interesting experience to follow him when the chimes are played. Those of St. Francis differ from many in that the levers by which they are played are hig h up in the tower of the church. The ringer has to climb up into the blackness of the belfry on long narrow ladders before he can begin his work.

And when he begins, the work is of the hardest. To ring the usual series of tanes s conjugate to about two hard games of football in physical exertion, and there is no chance to stop for breath when once a tune is begun. Gloves are worn to proteet the hands, but so hard is it to ring the great bells quickly that even this does not prevent blisters from coming as a result of a Christmas concert.

To play a tune is an exciting performance. The long wooden levers spread out like an enlargement of the black keys on the piano. So long as the consecutive notes follow each other with changes of a tone or so, it is comparatively easy. But when the ringer has to jump a half dozen tones, the gramastic feat is considerable. There is a plunge from one lever to another, and if the time is rapid, this plunge very much resembles the "leap for life"; by the hero in the melodrama. To keep this up for 15 minutes or so is a strain that even the music above scarcely makes pleasant, and one can realize that the poetry of the chimes is evolved from good hard physical labor.

## HOLOCAUST.

Six Members of a Jersey City Family Were the Victims.

Jersey City, Jan. 3.-Flames and smoke killed six members of one family Sunday as follows: Adolph Reich, 42 years old, the father; Emma Reich, 42 years fold, the mother; Tillie Reich, 22 years; Ida Reich, 15 years; Albert Reich, 14 years, Gustav Reich, 8 years. Several others were injured, and it may be that another member of the ill-fated family will die. He is the 19-year-old son, and his body is covered with burns.

John Conway, chief of the Jersey City fire department, was badly cut and burned. He fell through a burning floor, and was rescued with some difficulty. Henry Reich, 17 years old, managed

to make his escape from the house, re-

ceiving bad burns on the neck, face and hands; but he is not seriously injured. Adolph Reich's home was at 317 Germania avenue, in the Hudson City district. Reich was a real estate agent, and was well to do, living in a pleasant house of three stories. It is believed that the fire broke out from a heater in the basement and it worked its way up to the third floor, where the sleeping apart-

ments of the family were located. Ten minutes after the alarm the fire was out. Then the search of the house with its ghastly results began. from the firemen's lanterns disclosed three charred bodies against the well at the foot of the stairs. They were the bodies of Adolph Reich, Tillie and Gustay. The father had fallen upon the daughter, and his son was in his arms. They were burned almost beyond recognition. In the basement of the house the searching party stumbled over something at the foot of the stairs. The lanterns showed a sickening spectacle. Two blackened corpses with arms enterwined lay there. They were the remains of Ida and Albert. Portions of the limbs had been entirely burned away, and the faces were horribly distorted. They searched then for the mother. Her body was found in the dining room. She was but slightly burned. Her face was natural and showed no look of pain. She

## undoubtedly died from suffocation. Death of Judge Bennett.

Boston, Jan. 3.-Judge Edmund H. Bennett, the venerable dean of the Boston university law school, died Sunday morning. He had been suffering for some time, but did not allow his sufferings to interfere with his duties. Monday of last week he was obliged to take to his bed. Saturday evening, when the physician made his regular call, he found the patient sinking so rapidly that he warned the family that the judge would probably die before morning. The end was as calm as if he were drop-

ping to a quiet sleep.

Judge Bennett was born in Manchester, Vt., April 3, 1824. His education was received in Burr seminary in his native town, the academy at Burlington and the university of Vermont. He studied her with his father, being admitted to the Vermont bar in 1847. Coming to Boston a few months later, he was admitted to the Suflolk bar, and began practice in this city. Soon afterwards he established his home in Taunton, where he built up an extensive practice in Bristol county, still maintaining an office in Boston. In 1888 he was appointed judge of probate and insolvency for Bristol county, which office he held until he tendered his resignation in 1863. From 1865 to 1867 he was mayor of Taunton, and from 1871 to the present he held the deanship at the university.

new Beatord's Muddie.

New Bedford, Mass., Jan. 3.—Samuel C. Boehm & Co., wholesale liquor dealers of New York, through M. R. Hitch attorney, have served notice on the city demanding the return of the Houor license fee of \$1500 paid by Donovan & Corrigan, innholders of this city, and the fee of \$1000 paid by Dennis F. Mahoney, a local retailer, on May 1 last. The New Bedford men had previously assigned their claims to Boehm & Co., and the matter will undoubtealy be taken into the courts for a final settlement of the famous licerse muddle of 1897. Owing to disputed interpretations of

the law regarding removals, there were two de facto boards of license commissioners in this city last April and May, each of which granted liquor licenses to a total of 71, or 16 in excess of the number permitted under the statute of limitation. The licenses issued to Donovan & Corrigan and Mahoney were granted by the board appointed by Mayor Ashley, and although these dealers have been doing business under their licenses for eight months, Boehm & Co. set up a claim that the licenses were illegally granted, and demand a return of the money. It is believed that other demands will follow.

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